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Glen Cove Waterfront Park improvements to begin

Culminating over 3 years of planning and public participation, the Greater Vallejo Recreation District (GVRD) is beginning habitat restoration and public access improvements for this 15 acre waterfront community park.

The adopted Master Plan for park improvements and the environmental impact report are available for review on the Greater Vallejo Recreation District web site: <http://www.gvrd.org/masterplans.html>

The objective of the project is to return the site to a more natural condition, and add basic improvements for public use, while carefully protecting the significant Native American resources and remains that exist in the central portion of the site. The site will be much more open and visible for safety and security of users, and for improved views to the water.

In fall 2009, highly invasive non-native trees (elms, acacias, tree-of-heaven, etc.) that thickly cover the central part of the site will be removed. Fennel, yellow star thistle, and other invasive plants will be controlled throughout the site and on the adjacent City open space. The removal will be a multi-year process to help control re-sprouting. Mature eucalyptus, palms and other ornamental trees will be retained, along with all native vegetation. The eucalyptus will be pruned for safety.

In summer 2010, the western portion of the site will be re-graded to allow better visibility to the shoreline, improve drainage, and create a more natural landform. Part of this soil will be spread in a 1 to 2 foot layer on the eastern part of the site to cover and protect the Native American cultural resources, and bury the remaining stumps and stems of the invasive trees and plants. The existing vacant main house and caretaker's house will be demolished. Native wildflowers, shrubs and trees will be planted to replace the non-native plants and create improved wildlife habitat and aesthetics. Public access improvements will be constructed, including paved paths (using existing paved and unpaved roads also serve as maintenance access to the existing sewer line and pump station); unpaved trails, benches and picnic tables, a small parking area, and a restroom.

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