

01/19/16 Caltrans Email

-----> Email from Caltrans to POW SMC

On Tue, Jan 19, 2016 at 11:31 AM,

Navarro, Gidget R@DOT <gidget.navarro@dot.ca.gov> wrote:

Good morning Patty,

Just wanted to update you on the latest information for Herbicide Spraying on State Route 84.

Caltrans is further assessing our operations to figure out what changes we can implement. As of this time, there is no set date for further spraying. In the event spraying is to occur on State Route 84, we will provide timely advance notice to all interested parties.

Feel free to pass this along to other community members on your list.

Thank you for your patience.

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-----> Email reply to Caltrans from POW SMC

From: patty mayall
Date: Tue, Jan 19, 2016 at 4:32 PM
Subject: Re: State Route 84 Herbicide Spraying
To: "Navarro, Gidget R@DOT" <gidget.navarro@dot.ca.gov>

Thank you, Gidget,

On behalf of many people, I extend our gratitude and relief for this latest information regarding Hwy.84. We greatly appreciate that Caltrans is considering what changes might be implemented. Please know that we would like to be a part of helping and working with Caltrans on vegetation management on our State roadways. If we could leave the broadcast herbicide spraying in the past, then going forward, we could work together on a plan to help with mowing, removing invasive plants, and lessening the need for mowing, as many other areas are doing.

I know that many people living along the other State roads, like Hwy. 35, Hwy. 1, and Hwy.280, will want to know if Caltrans is planning herbicide spraying in January or February. Please let us know.

Without the constant work of Caltrans crews on the roadways of our community, none of us could manage living here. Please extend my deepest gratitude to the directors, supervisors, and crews of people who are maintaining the San Mateo County highways in dangerous conditions and through this daunting El Nino weather. All of you make it possible for us to live in this wild and beautiful area that we value.

With gratitude,
Patty Mayall
Director, Protect Our Watershed San Mateo County
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