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End in sight for work on new water pumping plant

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EBMUD's new Diablo Vista pumping plant set to be operational by early 2018. Photo Pippa Fisher

the westbound lanes where pipe was installed will see closures, loss of street parking and traffic delays.

Testing work on the new pump plant systems will begin soon along with pressure testing and flushing of pipes; residents will see large water storage tanks adjacent to the worksite to support this activity.

Finally permanent perimeter fencing and landscaping will be installed.

Once all new systems are "go," the old pumping plant will be taken out of service and demolished sometime in late 2017-early 2018.

On the east end of Lafayette the dreaded orange cones and lane closures are back again but residents can take heart from the fact that the construction work on the new water pumping plant is nearing completion.

The East Bay Municipal Utility District has been working on construction of the new building since the end of 2015. Now stained, with windows and doors installed and with a new sidewalk, the site is level and ready for fencing.

There remain a few more areas of work before the new Diablo Vista pumping plant can be put online, bringing water to the community and replacing the old pumping plant on Mt. Diablo Boulevard located near Carol Lane, next to Ace Hardware.

Once the repaving work closest to the new pumping plant on Mt. Diablo Court is complete, repaving work on

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