On October 8, 2017, the Atlas Fire began as one of fourteen large fires that burned simultaneously across eight Northern California counties. The Atlas Fire began near Atlas Peak Road and stretched from Lake Berryessa to the City of Napa, portions of which included the City’s water service area in the Silverado Country Club and surrounding neighborhood areas.

The Atlas Fire was widespread and caused extensive damage to private and public property, including the destruction of two City-owned potable water pump stations, Hillcrest Pump Station (located on Hillcrest Drive) and Silverado Highlands Pump Station (located above the City’s water treatment plant on Chaparral Circle) which conveyed water to customers within the City’s service area. The City has maintained water service using rental pumps and ancillary equipment and intends to reconstruct both pump stations as part of one project.

In December of 2019, the City executed a design-build contract with Myers & Sons Construction, LLC to design and construct the replacement pump stations. The City opted for more robust building materials and backup power for each site in an effort to mitigate future damages or service interruptions should another fire or other disaster occur.

Myers & Sons partnered with Wood Rodgers, Inc. to perform the design. Wood Rodgers has spent much of the first part of 2020 working closely with the City to analyze the existing system and demands, as well as incorporating input from the Water Division’s Operators and Maintenance staff to develop a set of design drawings and specifications that will meet the project goals.

Myers & Sons anticipates beginning construction in August of 2020, completing the project in early 2021. During the construction period, residents may notice increased activity in the area of these pump stations. Construction may require intermittent closures along portions of Hillcrest Drive and the use of flaggers to ensure traffic flow during construction. Construction hours are anticipated to be Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and all traffic control devices will be removed at the end of each working day. Affected residents will receive additional notices for any planned water service interruptions as required.

Should you have any questions or want additional information regarding the details or status of this project, please contact the City’s Water Division Office at 707-257-9521.