

Richmond DPU: City Improvement Projects

Job: Hobby Hill Lake Dam Rehabilitation Project

Location: Hobby Hill Road between Margate Drive and Cedar Grove Road

Project Introduction

Hobby Hill Lake Dam is a small impounding structure that creates Hobby Hill Lake in Richmond's Huguenot neighborhood. Hobby Hill Lake Dam is owned by the Hobby Hill Civic Association and the City of Richmond.

The Hobby Hill Lake Dam Rehabilitation Project has been initiated to ensure that Hobby Hill Lake Dam is in compliance with Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation dam safety regulations.

Collaboration and coordination efforts are ongoing between all Hobby Hill Lake Dam owners as a strong partnership will be vital to ensuring a successful project and that dam safety regulatory requirements are met.



Project Schedule

Project Assignment: 2022 (Hazen)

Survey & Preliminary Design: In Progress (Hazen)

Engineering Design: In Progress (Hazen)

Construction Assignment: To Be Determined

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT:

Field Investigations:

Residents may see field personnel, survey crews, and vehicles within the project area collecting data and performing field investigations.

Public Meetings:

Discussions with the Hobby Hill Civic Association and its members have been ongoing. Several public meetings have been held to discuss proposed improvements and to receive feedback. The times and locations of any future collaborative meetings will be announced as the project progresses.

Project Duration:

Phase 1 rehabilitation activities, including vegetation removal, have been completed. Continued vegetation maintenance occurred in 2024, and will also occur monthly during the 2025 growing season beginning on or around April 15th. Informational notification letters have been sent to nearby property owners. Phase 2 rehabilitation design is underway for the Hobby Hill Lake Dam Rehabilitation Project. Following the completion of the design, the project will be bid and a construction schedule will be shared. Due to the scope of work needed to meet dam safety regulatory requirements and complete the Hobby Hill Lake Dam Rehabilitation Project, a preliminary estimate is that construction may take at least two years. We apologize for the inconvenience and greatly appreciate your patience and partnership as these necessary improvements are made.

Project Benefits:

The Hobby Hill Lake Dam Rehabilitation Project will ensure that Hobby Hill Lake Dam is in compliance with Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation dam safety regulations and that Hobby Hill Lake Dam is rehabilitated to safely pass the required design storm.

For questions, comments, or concerns specifically about any of these projects, please contact:

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