July 2, 2020



THURSDAY: COMMUNITY EDITION

COMMON AREA LANDSCAPING UPDATE

BrightView Report - July 1

This week, crews were busy blowing and removing debris, making irrigation repairs, mowing and fertilizing grass, cutting back plants, spraying and removing weeds, and inspecting the health of plants and trees in the **Sonoran Vistas, Saguaro**



Canyon, and Sonoran Springs neighborhoods, and along Golf Club Drive and Westar Drive.

Weeds were sprayed and removed at **South Lake Park** and in the **Valencia, Las Palmas**, **Serenity, Cordoba**, and **Stone Canyon** neighborhoods, as well as along **Calistoga Drive**.

Remember, if you notice areas that need attention, there are a few ways to report concerns:

- Complete an electronic <u>Community Concern form</u> on the <u>www.LifeInEstrella.com</u> homepage. <u>Account login is required</u>.
- <u>Email</u> our Facilities Department.
- Contact the Community Services Office at (623) 386-1112 weekdays, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The updated landscape cycle schedule shows the dates you can expect BrightView to be working in your neighborhood through **July 31**.



FACILITIES PROJECT REPORT

PALM TREE TRIMMING PROJECT

Teams from BrightView continue trimming the palm trees around North and South Lakes.

MAILBOX REFURBISHMENT PROJECT

The mailboxes in Las Palmas were refurbished this week.

LAKE TINTING PROJECT

Both North and South Lakes are scheduled to be tinted on Friday. The tint assists with regulating lake temperatures; it is also beneficial to the fish that call Estrella home.

NORTH LAKE IRRIGATION UPGRADE PROJECT

The North Lake irrigation upgrade project continues this week. Crews are installing new irrigation pipes, valves, rotors, and sprinkler heads throughout the turf area surrounding North Lake. This project is expected to last three months.

NORTH LAKE FOUNTAINS

Repairs continue off-site for the out-of-service North Lake Fountain. It will be returned once these repairs are complete.





Refurbished Mailbox in

Las Palmas



Trimmed Palms at

North and South Lake

Crews Working on the Irrigation Upgrade Project

Updated Hours for Starpointe and Presidio Residents Clubs

With the closure of the fitness rooms in both clubs, please be advised that, **effective Monday**, **July 6**, the new hours of operation for Starpointe and Presido are as follows:

Monday–Saturday: 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

These hours are in effect until further notice.



Independence Day Holiday Hours

In observance of Independence Day, the Community Services Office will close at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 2, and will be closed on Friday, July 3.

The Starpointe and Presidio Residents Clubs will be open: July 3: 5:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. and July 4: 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

As a reminder, and as noted in the Estrella Community Handbook, the use and discharge of firecrackers and other fireworks is prohibited.

Staying Safe in a Monsoon

We would like to remind everyone to be especially careful if they are on their boats or off-highway vehicles this holiday weekend -- the weather can change very quickly and become dangerous for those who aren't prepared for a monsoon.



Josh Hoffman, boating safety education

coordinator with the Arizona Game and Fish Department (AZGFD), suggests keeping the day's weather in mind. "If severe weather is likely, or storms are starting to pile up around you, it's a good time to safely get off the water or trails and head indoors." To that end, AZGFD offers the following advice to protect operators and passengers during a monsoon:

When on a boat, personal watercraft or paddleboard:

• While life jackets are legally required for anyone under 12, everyone should wear a life jacket at all times while on the water. Storms can create large waves that could knock a passenger from the boat.

- Monitor the weather and use a weather radio or weather app for updates from the National Weather Service. If storms are predicted, or are building, pull the boat out of the water or consider postponing the outing.
- Secure all gear above and below decks.
- Keep everyone aboard away from electrical and ungrounded components, and remain as low in the boat as possible.
- If there is lightning, disconnect all electrical equipment. Stay clear of metal objects as much as possible.
- Slow down, but keep enough power to maintain headway and steering.
- Turn on navigation lights.
- If possible, head for the nearest shore that is safe to approach. It might be best to ride out the storm in open water rather than try to approach the shore in heavy wind and waves.
- Boats should head the bow into waves at a 45-degree angle. Personal watercrafts should head directly into the waves.

For more information on boating in Arizona, visit www.azgfd.com/Boating/

When riding an OHV:

- Always wear proper safety gear, including a helmet, eye protection, long sleeves, pants, over-the-ankle boots and gloves.
- Seek shelter indoors if storms are developing or are nearby.
- Never cross running water. While it can look shallow, it might be deep enough that it could push the vehicle downstream or get it stuck in loose sediment.
- Drive slowly to not lose control on muddied trails.
- To avoid being struck by lightning, avoid open fields, high ground, trees, poles or other tall objects, and standing bodies of water.
- Be aware of, and avoid, flash flood zones.

For more information on riding an OHV in Arizona, visit <u>www.azgfd.com/OHV/</u>.

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Emergencies 9-1-1

Starpointe Residents Club (623) 386-1949

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