

SIR FRANCIS DRAKE BLVD (SFDB) REHAB PROJECT



The initial landscape scope of the SFDB Rehab project included landscape improvements to areas directly affected by the street improvements only. With the recent benefit of generous, additional funds from County Service Area (CSA) 17, the landscape scope of the project has been expanded to include all the center medians from Eliseo Drive in Greenbrae near Highway 101 to College Avenue in Kentfield. The County of Marin is now addressing the medians and other affected landscape areas in a holistic, cohesive design.



TREE REPLACEMENTS

Tree removals are based on an extensive Arborist's Inventory and Report of trees within the scope of work. All existing trees were evaluated for health, structure, and suitability for preservation.

Trees removed will be replaced with new trees in 24" box, 36" box, and 48" box sizes.



NEW PLANTING DESIGN

A new planting design is currently in progress. The County of Marin is working with a talented and respected team of design consultants, community leaders, the California Native Plant Society, and FireSafe Marin to craft a seasonally beautiful new plant palette.

PROPOSED PLANTS WILL MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

- provide seasonal interest, with blooms, foliage, colors and textures throughout the year
- incorporate CA natives (where feasible and it makes sense)
- not be fire hazards (plants approved by FireSafe Marin)
- not pose site visibility risks (low height at median noses)
- be very low maintenance
- be long-lived
- conserve water, drought tolerant
- not include invasive plants
- support pollinators
- and work with the remaining trees and general context.



With use of California native plants, the landscape will preserve local flora, host local pollinators, provide seasonal interest and color, and conserve water.

The planting design will adhere to practical requirements to minimize maintenance needs, maximize traffic safety and visibility, and maximize longevity of proposed trees and plants.

Plant installation will begin in early 2021. Landscaping design plans will be posted to the website in early 2021.

