

# Maintenance Alert



## Villa Park Dam: Low-Level Water Release to Accommodate Flood Control Maintenance Activities



OC Public Works will gradually release a low flow of water from Villa Park Dam into Santiago Creek located within Santiago Oaks Regional Park. Park trails will remain accessible during this water release.

Villa Park Dam serves an essential role for flood protection for the surrounding communities and is located upstream of Santiago Oaks Regional Park in the city of Orange

### WHAT

A low flow of water will be released from Villa Park Dam, and flow into Santiago Creek, beginning within Santiago Oaks Regional Park. Water flow will be kept at a minimal level and Santiago Oaks Regional Park trails will remain open. Trail access points within the park will remain accessible for the public during this activity.

#### Why release water?

Lowering the level of water behind the dam will allow personnel to inspect the dam and perform preventative maintenance if needed to ensure the dam is operating as designed before the start of the annual storm season.

### WHEN

**Monday, September 27, 2021**

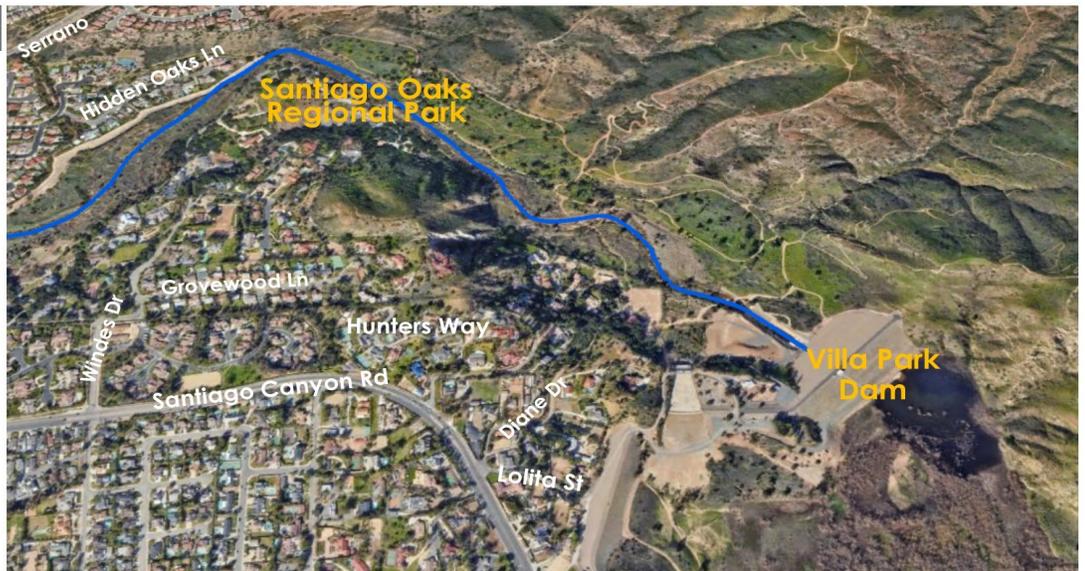
Low flow water release will occur continuously for a total duration of **48-72 hours**.

This schedule is tentative and subject to change due to weather and other factors.

Bird nesting season in 2021 has concluded. Our environmental experts performed a nesting survey and have determined that the water release could be conducted safely.

### WHERE

Villa Park Dam located within the city of Orange, with low-level water traveling through Santiago Creek within Santiago Oaks Regional Park.



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