

Trail closure.

Mountain View Pond A2W Access Route and Construction

Notice to visitors: Construction to repair former salt pond levees at Pond A2W in the Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge will begin on August 31, 2026, and continue through November 2026. Trail closures will be necessary as construction activities occur. The Song Sparrow Spur Trail along the eastern and northern levee of the pond will be closed throughout the construction period. The northernmost end of the Stevens Creek Trail (south of the entry gate onto the Song Sparrow Spur Trail on National Wildlife Refuge lands) will be intermittently closed for shorter periods for material deliveries. See Figure 1 for a map of the closures and Figure 2 for the access routes that will be used to reach the work site.

There is no trail detour needed for these closures because the Song Sparrow Spur Trail and this section of the Stevens Creek Trail are out-and-back trails, and the closures are north of the northernmost trail junction or crossing.

Construction vehicle traffic will reach the project area via the Stevens Creek Trail within the City of Mountain View and driving onto the Song Sparrow Spur Trail along the eastern side of Pond A2W (See Figure 2). Trucks will be traveling along Amphitheatre Parkway, N. Shoreline Blvd., Crittenden Lane, and then turn north onto Shoreline Park service roads and finally onto the Stevens Creek Trail. This is how construction equipment and materials will be delivered to the project area along Pond A2W, as well as how the construction crews will reach it.

This project will implement necessary levee repairs along portions of the eastern and northern levees of Pond A2W underneath the Song Sparrow Spur Trail. Construction will include placing earthen fill (dirt) and rip rap (rock) to repair erosion damage along the internal faces (pond-side) of the levees. This will retain the newly added trail, preserve vehicle access for Refuge staff and authorized researchers, and allow PG&E crews to reach their infrastructure.

When: Beginning August 31, 2026; continuing through November 2026 until construction is complete.

Figure 1: Pond A2W Levee Maintenance and Repair – Trail Closures



Figure 2: Construction Access Route

