

January 24, 2025

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Our plan will upgrade the fairways with more drought tolerant grasses, update greens and establish new bunker infrastructure. We will also be adding native, drought-tolerant and climate responsive trees and installing a more efficient irrigation system that will reduce our water usage by 30%-40%. Paved cart paths are being scaled back to dramatically reduce the amount of impervious surface on the property and we will be adjusting the internal Clearview entry drive slightly. We will also be re-numbering some holes to improve flow and course play.

The Club's primary goal is improve our sustainability and operate responsibly in the community. In addition, we also strive to be a good neighbor and minimize disruption during construction and with ongoing operations. I've included a brief overview below for you.

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Golf Course Modernization Activity & Timing

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While contouring/grading will occur to create a new layout, any earth moving will balance on site so no major import or export of soil is required to complete the project, which will minimize construction traffic. Limited construction equipment will be brought to the site once at the beginning of the project via the Wedgewood gate and remain on site for the duration of the project. Construction materials will be staged on site as well and construction workers will park on site as well during construction, minimizing any potential neighborhood disruption.

Drought Tolerant Grasses & Trees

The Club currently maintains over 1,100 mature trees across its property. The new drought tolerant turfgrass we have selected requires more sunlight to perform than our current shade tolerant turf. The excessive shade produced by our trees today will prevent these new drought tolerant grasses from growing successfully and contributing to our targeted water use reductions. In order to achieve our water reduction goals and course layout plan, we need to remove a range of non-native, failing and/or fire prone eucalyptus and coast redwoods that were planted on site in the 1950's and beyond. We plan tree replacement with new native and drought tolerant trees, mostly Oak trees consistent with the historic native landscapes of the area. The net result is that the property will remain with approximately 1,100 trees, similar to the number of trees on site today; however, in more thoughtful locations that will enable a successful transition to the new water saving fairway grasses.

Next Steps

Because we share a fence line as neighbors, I would like to schedule time with you personally at your convenience to walk you through the overall plans, the work planned for the hole adjacent to your home and tentative timing of construction activity near you in 2026. We will also be hosting neighbor Open Houses in the coming months to share the plans as well so look for a mailed invitation soon. To keep updated on the latest related to the project, you can also visit our golf course modernization webpage on our club website with information about the project at www.larinconadacc.com.

Please let me know your availability to get together and preferred place to meet. I'm happy to host you at the Club or come over to your house. In the interim, if you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact me directly at 408-402-7468 or via email at akimball@larinconadacc.com.

Sincerely,

Andy Kimball, PGA
General Manager



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