

## **Elmendorf Lake Park Improvements Project**

Construction efforts continue to progress within the northern stretch of the park. The southern bank of the lake is substantially complete and the construction fence has been removed. The site is partially accessible to the public as the remainder of the project is completed. The lighting on the southern bank is functional and lit while the park is open. New curbing is being installed to direct stormwater into rain gardens to capture and filter pollutants along Commerce Street. The sidewalk is being replaced with a walkway that meanders through the park. Improvements are being made to bus shelters and a signalized pedestrian cross walk will be installed at 22<sup>nd</sup> Street to create a safer crossing for the neighborhood north of Commerce Street. Other improvements include three new parking lots, an enhanced restroom facility, lake fountains and aerators, water fountains and aeration bubblers in the lake, and a water recirculation feature. Tiled benching within the Lake Plaza is completed and the new playground and splash pad water feature are being constructed. Two of the three construction phases have been completed and visible changes are already evident in the lake and around the park. The final construction phase, which is focused on the main section of the park along Shore Drive and Commerce Street, has been delayed due to record rainfall this past Summer and contractor performance issues.

The City of San Antonio and San Antonio River Authority (SARA) recognize that the completion of the Elmendorf Lake Park project is important and residents are eager to enjoy its new and improved amenities. The City and SARA are committed to delivering a quality project for the community to enjoy with a revised completion date of December 2016. We thank you for your patience on this important park project as we look ahead to the 2017 Bond which includes a recommendation of \$2 million for Elmendorf Lake Park to construct a swimming pool.

## **Apache Creekway Trail**

The San Antonio Water System (SAWS) C-5 and C-28 Phase 1B Project launched which will install a 36-inch wastewater main to upgrade the sewer infrastructure across the city. This project will add new hike and bike trails from 19<sup>th</sup> Street, east of Elmendorf, down to Casiano Park's trailhead where the current trail network has been completed. The anticipated completion timeframe of this project is early 2018.