

Land Drainage Recovery Programme

Reducing the risk of flooding throughout Christchurch City

June 2018

Sutherlands Basin work postponed due to wet weather

As you may be aware, we've been working to build additional stormwater storage in the area to improve water quality and reduce flood risk along the Heathcote River. We now have to postpone excavation work in Sutherlands Basin for a few months because of the prolonged wet weather.

The wet conditions have softened the ground to the extent that we can't get the soil to a consistency needed to build the low level bunds for the storage basins. And this soft soil condition also means that the heavy excavation equipment can no longer travel around the site without tearing up the ground or causing damage to work already completed.

It is likely to be October before work recommences on site. We are looking to compress the works into spring and summer, and try to finish construction of the basins in May 2019, as originally planned.

In the meantime, contractors Brian Perry will manage rainwater runoff over the winter.

We will be back in touch before the works start up again in spring.

For more information check out www.ccc.govt.nz/floodmitigation and click on 'what's happening in your neighbourhood, then 'Upper Heathcote flood storage'.

If you have any further questions, please contact us using the details below.



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