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Willow Creek Floodplain Restoration

November 2026

UTILITY PROJECT

The City of Prescott Public Works has initiated a project to restore the floodplain of Willow Creek west of Willow Lake off Sandretto Drive. Past gravel and topsoil mining and debris dumping separated the floodplain from the creek and resulted in 10 acres of highly disturbed area.

The project consists of surveying and removing inert debris piles, masticating and suppressing weeds with mulch, chipping and spreading wood rounds, removing stands of invasive species, and removing a series of berms that isolate the floodplain from the creek. Once that work is complete, the area can be revegetated with beneficial native plants. The purpose of the project is to restore the floodplain functionality of accommodating excess sediment and stormwater flows moving toward Willow Lake so water may percolate into the ground and enter the reservoir in a cleaner gentler fashion.

This project is expected to improve recreation, habitat, and flood control within the southwestern side of the Willow Lake property. Survey work is in progress, chipping and mulching is scheduled to begin in November 2026, and debris hauling will follow chipping.

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