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## **Irving Flood Control District Section III controls erosion in Valley Ranch**

Maintenance crews with the **Irving Flood Control District Section III** (IFCD 3) are making improvements in and around the **Ledbetter Sump**. This activity is part of IFCD 3's program of controlling erosion of the embankment area surrounding the Ledbetter Sump.

The district seeks to use taxpayer dollars by proactively improving and managing areas that are prone to erosion. A key step in erosion control is maintaining the sump's traditional wall structures.

Recently maintenance crews have begun installing native plants in place of traditional structures along the edges of the sumps. By using native plants, IFCD 3 strives to maintain functionality and make the areas aesthetically pleasing.

Soil erosion around IFCD's sumps, canals and waterways is a naturally occurring process but the process can be accelerated when such areas are the target of heavy or repetitive activities.

While active management of flood control assets is an important part of IFCD 3's mission, Valley Ranch residents play an important role in protecting these resources. Residents and guests can assist by following a few rules:

- No fishing
- No wheeled vehicles
- No littering

Valley Ranch residents are asked to be mindful of where and how they travel along IFCD 3 waterways and should alert the IFCD 3 if anything suspicious is noticed. Reports can be made by phone to 972-556-0625 or by email to [info@ifcd3.org](mailto:info@ifcd3.org).

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