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Interesting additional developments:

1) Senator Al Maldonado is having a open town meeting in Los Gatos next Friday, October 18th. We are going to get a bunch of residents to attend and ask when he is going to get CalTrans to fix this structure; we will bring charts & graphs.

2) Cal Trans sent a team last week to excavate the accumulated dirt around the culvert which is immediately downstream of the Brush Road culvert, where they again used a front end loader instead of a steam shovel, which thereby applies the same potentially damaging stress on the horizontal pipe which goes under state highway 17.

None of the neighbors I've spoken with remembers CalTrans ever doing this clean out to the lower culvert before, and it will be interesting to see if they cause the same failure which happened to the upper segment.

Also, by doing this, CalTrans is equipped to accept a lot of excess flow of dirt from when the upper culvert fails.

Here is what the lower culvert looked like in 2006:



And here is what it looked like this morning:

