

Progress of Work at Genesee Avenue and SR-52

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Progress continues on the Morena Northern Pipelines and Tunnels project at State Route 52 and Genesee Avenue. Crews have completed the majority of the pipeline installation, trench backfilling, and curb and gutter replacement work. The southbound lanes on Genesee Avenue have been reopened, and concrete construction barriers have been removed.

Testing of the installed pipeline segments in this area is complete – the second segment of pipe from SR-52 to Rose Canyon has successfully passed testing. For this portion of the project, next steps include draining the tested pipeline segment, connecting pipeline segments within the testing access point, and backfilling. Once the backfill of the access point is complete, crews will replace the curb and gutter and base pave the area. Traffic control will remain in the northbound lanes on Genesee Avenue until the pipeline connection and related work are complete in spring 2026.

Crews will return to the area later this year to complete final paving, and the community will be notified before final paving begins.

At Marian Bear Park, work is occurring at the pipeline access point near the entrance to the park, concurrently with restoration and revegetation activities. We expect the park to reopen in spring 2026.



The testing access point in the northbound Genesee lanes. Backfilling at the entrance to Marian Bear Park.

Why: Pure Water San Diego is the City of San Diego's phased, multi-year program that will provide nearly half of San Diego's water supply locally by 2035 and significantly reduce treated discharges from the Point Loma Wastewater Treatment Plant. Pure Water San Diego will use proven water purification technology to clean recycled water to produce safe, high-quality drinking water. The program offers a cost-effective investment for San Diego's water and wastewater needs. San Diegans are getting dual value from this investment — reliable, sustainable drinking water and avoided

wastewater costs. The Morena Northern Pipelines and Tunnels project is one of several major water infrastructure projects in Phase 1 of Pure Water San Diego.

The City is committed to clear communication and providing up-to-date information about construction activities. Properties along the construction area will receive printed notices before work begins near their address, and construction notices will be regularly posted on utc.purewatersd.org. Please contact purewatersd@sandiego.gov or **833-UTC-PWSD (833 882-7973)** with questions about the City's Pure Water Program and the Morena Northern Pipelines and Tunnels project, and a team member will get back to you within one business day.