

October 22, 2021

Subject: Construction Has Started on the North City Water Reclamation Plant Expansion in Your Area

Dear Property Owner or Tenant,

In August 2021, the City of San Diego began construction on the North City Water Reclamation Plant (NCWRP) Expansion – one of several major water infrastructure projects that are part of Pure Water San Diego. This multi-year program will provide nearly half of San Diego's water supply locally by 2035 through purifying recycled water to produce safe, high-quality drinking water.

The North City Water Reclamation Plant, located on the south side of Eastgate Mall near Interstate-805, across from the North City Pure Water Facility site, will be expanded from producing 30 million gallons per day (mgd) to 52 mgd of recycled water. Other projects that are part of the site expansion (see maps on page 3) include the construction of a pump station on the north end of the property adjacent to the Pure Water Demonstration Facility, secondary clarifier basins, a new Flow Equalization Basin, and more.

The new Flow Equalization Basin is planned to be constructed on the NCWRP site beginning in December 2021. The basin will expand the capacity of the primary effluent storage and it will regulate the increased wastewater flow rates so that water can be delivered at more manageable flow rates to the Metro Biosolids Center for further treatment.

As part of the North City Pure Water Facility (NCPWF) project, also under construction and located across the street from the NCWRP, a pipeline will be installed underneath Eastgate Mall and connect to the two projects. The pump station will move the recycled water from the NCWRP through the underground pipeline to the NCPWF for further cleaning.

The NCWRP will receive wastewater via a pump station and pipeline that will be built as part of other Phase 1 projects. The NCWRP will then clean the wastewater so that it is safe for irrigation and industrial uses and will send the rest of the recycled water to the NCPWF for advanced treatment.

While most facility construction will be on City-owned property, there will be associated nighttime utility work done by the City and San Diego Gas & Electric in the street on Eastgate Mall for the remainder of 2021. The pipeline work on Eastgate Mall will occur at night.

A project location map is included on the last page of this notice and more information about the Phase 1 project is available at **phase1.purewatersd.org**.

Anticipated Construction Schedule

Construction is expected to take place between August 2021 and 2025. For more detailed schedule information, please visit **phase1.purewatersd.org**.

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What to Expect During Construction

- Access maintained for residents, businesses, and emergency responders
- Increased traffic on Eastgate Mall between Interstate 805 and Eastgate Drive, particularly during morning and afternoon rush hours
- Nighttime utility and pipeline work on Eastgate Mall
- Construction-related noise and heavy equipment
- On-site work primarily from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. from Monday to Friday, with some weekend and night work

The City is committed to keeping residents and businesses proactively informed throughout construction and to resolving issues that may arise during construction. Schedule information will be distributed via email and posted on the project webpage. To see how the project is coming along, visit the timelapse webcam at **utc.purewatersd.org**; navigate to the "North City Water Reclamation Plant Expansion" project page.

Two other nearby Pure Water Phase 1 projects – the North City Pure Water Facility and North City Pure Water Pipeline – will include nighttime construction on Eastgate Mall, and neighbors will be notified when activities are scheduled in the public right-of-way. Information about the nearby projects can also be found at **purewatersd.org**.

Contact Us

To learn more about the North City Water Reclamation Plant Expansion project, visit **purewatersd.org**. To receive regular project updates during construction, please click the "Sign Up For Email Updates" tab on the website's right side and select the "North City Water Reclamation Plant Expansion" email list. For questions about the Pure Water Program or this project, please call the hotline at **833-UTC-PWSD (833-882-7973)** or email **purewatersd@sandiego.gov**. For project-related questions, please reference the "North City Water Reclamation Plant Expansion" and inquiries will be responded to within one business day.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation as this vital project is constructed.

Para informes en español, por favor comuníquese al **833-UTC-PWSD (833-882-7973)** y mencione "North City Water Reclamation Plant Expansion" en su comunicación.

Sincerely,

John Stufflebean Assistant Director, Pure Water and Technical Services City of San Diego Public Utilities Department

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