

# PureNews

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Welcome to Pure News, a newsletter about Pure Water San Diego, the City of San Diego's multi-year program to address the need for a safe, secure and sustainable local water supply.

## Phase 1 – North City of Pure Water Moves Forward with City Council Approval of Environmental Report

On April 10, 2018, the San Diego City Council unanimously voted to move forward with Phase 1 – North City of the Pure Water Program by certifying the Pure Water San Diego North City Project Final Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (EIR/EIS) and approving two construction management contracts for the Phase 1 – North City projects. Phase 1 – North City of the Pure Water Program is comprised of several projects that will locally produce 30 million gallons of high-quality purified water by 2021, reducing the City's dependence on imported water.

The North City Project Final EIR/EIS was prepared in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) to inform public agency decision-makers and the public of the environmental impacts that could result with the approval and implementation of the Phase 1 – North City Project, identify possible ways to minimize significant impacts, and evaluate reasonable project alternatives. The Final EIR/EIS is available on the City's website [here](#).



## Phase 1 – North City Projects

The Phase 1 – North City projects will be constructed between 2019 and 2021 and include the expansion of the existing North City Water Reclamation Plant and construction of the adjacent North City Pure Water Facility, which will purify recycled water to meet drinking water standards. Additionally, a new Morena Pump Station and associated pipelines will transport additional wastewater to the reclamation plant and convey the salts and contaminants removed during the purification process to the Point Loma Wastewater Treatment Plant. Other Phase 1 – North City projects include the North City Pure Water Pump Station and Pipeline project, which will convey the purified water produced at the North City Pure Water Facility to Miramar Reservoir for blending and then includes further treatment at the existing Miramar Drinking Water Treatment Plant.

A new power generation facility will be installed on site at the existing North City Water Reclamation Plant and will generate energy from gas captured at Miramar Landfill to produce the majority of power needed to operate the new North City Pure Water Facility and expanded reclamation plant. The Project supports the City's Climate Action Plan to eliminate half of all greenhouse gas emissions and source all electricity from renewable sources by 2035.

Further information on each of the Phase 1 – North City projects can be found on the Pure Water website [here](#).

## Community Involvement

The City is committed to working with the communities located within the planned Phase 1 – North City project areas to identify opportunities to avoid, minimize or reduce potential construction impacts. In the coming months, community-specific working groups will be formed to provide informed input and feedback to the City of San Diego on such opportunities. The working groups will consist of a diverse array of members who represent each community. Members of the working groups will have the opportunity to provide input on some elements of the project construction and implementation.

To stay informed about the Phase 1 – North City projects, please sign up for the Pure Water mailing list [here](#) and indicate which project(s) about which you would like to receive updates.

## Community Members Learn About Future Water Supply

On Saturday, April 7 more than 200 community members visited the North City Water Reclamation Plant to explore San Diego's future water supply. The City welcomed San Diegans living near the Phase 1 project areas to learn more about the Pure Water Program, including the future Pure Water facilities and pipelines that will be part of their communities. Community members had the opportunity to speak directly with City engineers about the upcoming Phase 1 infrastructure projects that will begin construction in 2019 and provide 30 million gallons of water per day by 2021.

In addition, City staff guided 11 Pure Water Demonstration Facility tours. Tour participants saw how water purification technology is used to clean recycled water to produce safe, high-quality drinking water and were offered a taste of the water at the end of the tour.

For more information on the future pipelines and facilities, please visit the [Phase 1 - North City webpage](#).

Register for a free tour at [www.purewatersd.org/tours](http://www.purewatersd.org/tours).



## GO by BIKE With Pure Water

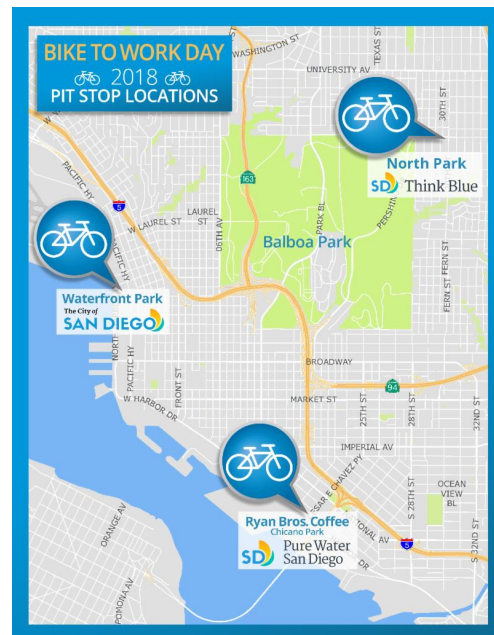
Join thousands of people throughout the San Diego region to GO by BIKE on [Bike to Work Day](#) on Thursday, May 17. When you register for Bike to Work Day, you can stop by one of 100 pit stop locations from 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. to pick up a free t-shirt, refreshments and giveaway items.

Start your morning with a delicious cup of coffee brewed with 100 percent advanced treated recycled water from the City's Pure Water Demonstration Facility. Join the Pure Water team and [Ryan Bros. Coffee](#) at our pit stop for a limited-edition coffee, tastes of the purified water, giveaways, and more! Riders can also play our "Water You Know" trivia game for a chance to win a prize.

Our pit stop will be located outside of Ryan Bros. Coffee's Barrio Logan location at 1894 Main St., San Diego, CA 92113.

Interested in visiting one of the City's pit stops? Register for Bike to Work Day [here](#).

View the complete map of more than 100 pit stops throughout the region [here](#).



## BIKE TO WORK 2018

Bike to Work Day is Thursday, May 17

Register today!



## EPIC Wins for Pure Water

The [California Association of Public Information Officials \(CAPIO\)](#) recently recognized the Pure Water Program with awards for our outreach efforts. The Pure Stone event received the Excellence in Public Information & Communications (EPIC) Award for One-Time Special Event for the City's partnership event with Stone Brewing. In March 2017, more than 200 City leaders attended the event to taste the Full Circle Pale Ale, a limited-edition beer brewed by Stone Brewing with purified water from the demonstration Pure Water Facility.



CAPIO also honored the Pure Water Day Open House events with the Award of Distinction for Recurring Special Event. More than 1,000 community members attended the open houses in 2016 and 2017. The City will host a third annual Open House in fall 2018. CAPIO Awards are presented annually to honor outstanding public agency information and communications programs.

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### Get Involved

Now is a great time to learn about Pure Water San Diego through educational tours and community events!

View our [calendar](#) to see where the Pure Water team will be in the community.



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