

September 23, 2019

Subject: Mountain Avenue West Groundwater Replenishment Facility

Dear Neighbor:

Eastern Municipal Water District (EMWD) is proud of its mission to deliver value to its diverse customers and the communities it serves by providing safe, reliable, economically and environmentally sustainable services. As part of that commitment, we continue to invest in proven and cost-effective programs to meet the needs of our current and future customers and further prepare our region for statewide water supply shortages.

EMWD's Groundwater Reliability Plus (GWR Plus) initiative is a valuable piece of that commitment. This initiative is part of our longstanding dedication toward developing and implementing a water supply portfolio that is both reliable and cost-effective.

Beginning in October, EMWD will start construction on one of the key facilities of our GWR Plus initiative. The Mountain Avenue West Groundwater Replenishment Facility will be located on the northeast corner of Mountain and Esplanade avenues in the City of San Jacinto. Once completed, the facility will have two large basins that will allow water imported from Northern California to seep into our local groundwater aquifer, where it will be available for use during dry years.

It is anticipated that crews will begin preparing the site for construction within the first two weeks of October, with substantial work beginning in mid-to-late October. Construction is anticipated to be completed in early 2021. Construction hours will be limited to between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m., except during stretches where extended hours are required for operational purposes. EMWD will communicate with customers prior to any extended work hours.

During construction, neighbors will notice additional truck traffic in the area. EMWD and its contractor will make dust control a priority. A majority of the work will be completed on site, and EMWD will provide advance notification for any work that takes place in the public right of way.

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Following the completion of the project, the Mountain Avenue West facility will include a publicly accessible walking path and California-friendly landscaping around the perimeter of the project. EMWD has closely coordinated the design of the facility with the City of San Jacinto while also incorporating community input received during public meetings.

Should you have any questions, please contact EMWD Public Affairs Officer Kevin Pearson at 951-928-3777, ext. 4219, or at pearsonk@emwd.org.

We thank you for your time and understanding as we work to safely complete this important water supply project so that our region is well prepared for its future.

Sincerely,

Kevin Pearson

Public Affairs Officer