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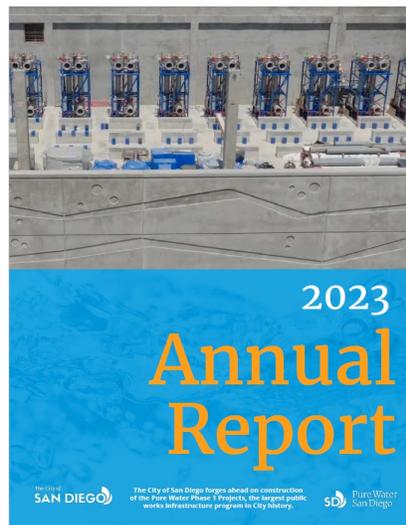
The City of San Diego's water resource strategy includes conservation, recycled water, groundwater, water reuse, and watershed and resource protection to help meet future water needs.

December 2023

Welcome to Pure News, the latest information and updates about Pure Water San Diego, the City of San Diego's program to provide a safe, reliable and local water supply for the future. This edition includes the **2023 Annual Report, workforce and construction highlights, community events and a look at construction outreach over the past year!**

2023 Annual Report

Check out the Pure Water San Diego 2023 Annual Report! Every year, we provide a comprehensive update on the Pure Water Program and the individual projects that make it possible. 2023 was a significant year for advancing the Phase 1 projects, which are now more than 40% complete! This year's report is packed with exciting information including updates on construction progress, monthly milestones and photos and videos of this year's action!



Phase 1 Construction Spotlight

A total of 10 construction projects are part of Phase 1 North City construction. A full recap of 2023 construction activities is available on pages 7 and 8 of the 2023 Annual Report. Below is an update on recent construction activities for one of the projects.

Subaqueous Pipeline at Miramar Reservoir

The Subaqueous Pipeline project is perhaps the most unique component of Phase 1 construction for Pure Water San Diego and is a critical piece of the puzzle to get Pure Water from underground pipelines (currently under construction), into Miramar Reservoir and our water supply system. Subaqueous (or underwater) construction requires a unique team of specialty contractors to construct the first-ever surface water augmentation project in California. On-water platforms called barges will allow the contractor to float segments of large diameter pipeline, then sink it 50 feet to the lakebed where the pipeline will permanently remain. Construction of this pipeline **began in November 2023** and is expected to continue through Spring 2023.

We appreciate the continued patience of reservoir users and the community during construction and look forward to restoring on-water activities once construction has been completed.

Pure Water Phase 1 will create a local, reliable, and sustainable water supply in San Diego for generations to come. Learn more about the **North City Pure Water Pipeline, Dechlorination Facility and Subaqueous Pipeline project.**



Pipeline construction continues with on-water barges.



Construction crews fuse pieces of pipe together on land and string it out on Miramar Reservoir before installing it on the lakebed.



Did you know? The Subaqueous Pipeline is 4.5 feet in diameter with smaller pipe “branches” that will be installed to ensure that the purified water is equally dispersed throughout Miramar Reservoir.

To learn more about Pure Water Phase 1 – North City construction, visit the **[Phase 1 Projects page](#)**. To subscribe to construction alerts, please use the **[contact form](#)**.

Community Events

We're proud to share that we've been busy sharing information and updates about the Pure Water program! In October, we attended the Mira Mesa Street Fair, EdUCate! Oktoberfest and Walter Munk Oceans Day event where outreach team members were able to share the environmental benefits of Pure Water San Diego, as well as construction

updates. Pure Water was also proud to be a part of the City's December Nights event at Balboa Park, where we participated in the new Family Zone.



Pure Water Outreach Team at the Mira Mesa Street Fair on October 7, 2023.



Pure Water Outreach Team at the Walter Munk Oceans Day event at Kellogg Park.



Pure Water Outreach Team at December Nights at Balboa Park.

Construction Outreach

Did you know that more than 40% of Phase 1 construction is complete? Check out how we've been getting the word out about local construction impacts.

2023 Construction Outreach Recap

32

e-blasts distributed to approximately 4,108 recipients

90

inquiries received and resolved

20

presentations given to community groups, informing approximately 450 people in various community organizations

Outreach teams tabled at the Miramar Reservoir project site for

10 days

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