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# California Water Service Water Nears Completion Of First Phase Of Infrastructure Upgrade To Improve Water Supply Reliability In Salinas

SALINAS, Calif.—California Water Service (Cal Water) is nearing completion on the first phase of a water infrastructure upgrade that will benefit water supply reliability and fire protection in east Salinas. Traffic control is currently in place for the project, which is replacing 2,026 feet of new water main, but in coming weeks will be reduced as crews complete the first phase of the project. The project's second phase is expected to begin in October.

"We thank the business and commuters along Alisal Street for their patience during construction. Infrastructure improvements like these help Cal Water maintain a reliable water supply for both everyday and emergency situations," said Brenda Granillo, Salinas District Manager, of the project that began in January. "Additionally, proactive maintenance and upgrades to our water system help prevent small, manageable issues from escalating and becoming more expensive to fix, which helps keep water service affordable for customers."

After the main is installed, crews will culminate phase one by replacing 46 service connections and 10 fire hydrants east of Highway 101 on Alisal Street, between Kern Street and Pearl Street.

Work will continue into May, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Customers will continue to be notified of any traffic disruptions or work required after normal construction hours.

Phase two of the infrastructure improvement project is projected to start in October, with reduced traffic impacts in the area. Crews will replace the remaining water line on Alisal Street, installing 1,753 feet of 12-inch main and 73 feet of 6-inch main. During this time, crews will be working between Pearl Street and Sanborn Road.

Temporary asphalt will be applied until permanent paving is completed, which can be up to 30 days after project completion.

## About California Water Service

California Water Service provides high-quality, reliable water utility services to about 126,620 people through 29,000 service connections in Salinas, and more than 2 million people through 499,400 service connections statewide. Cal Water's purpose is to enhance the quality of life for customers and communities. To do so, it invests responsibly in water and wastewater infrastructure, sustainability initiatives, and community well-being. The company's employees live by a set of strong core values and share a commitment to protecting the planet, caring for people, and operating with the utmost integrity. The utility

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