

California Water Service Begins Water Infrastructure Upgrade to Improve Water Supply Reliability and Fire Protection in Selma

SELMA, Calif.—California Water Service (Cal Water) has begun work on a water infrastructure upgrade that will improve water supply reliability and fire protection for its customers in Selma.

The project involves the installation of approximately 3,100 feet of new 8-inch water main in central Selma. These upgrades are designed to strengthen the local water system and provide long-term reliability for the Selma community.

"Our top priority is providing safe, clean, reliable drinking water to our customers' homes and businesses, and this upgrade will help us continue to do that," said Mike Andrada, Cal Water's Selma Operations Manager.

The project started this week and will take approximately three months to complete. Crews will work 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday along Merced, Wright, Logan, Lee, and Stillman streets.

The main replacement project is part of Cal Water's broader commitment to proactive, ongoing maintenance and upgrades that support safe, high-quality drinking water. As part of these efforts, the Selma District also recently brought a well that was offline for three years back into service to help meet peak demands for water this summer.

To restore the well, the district added granular-activated carbon (GAC) treatment, one of several treatment methods that Cal Water uses to clean the water to make it safe to drink. It's a cost-effective, environmentally safe treatment method that removes contaminants from water.

"Bringing this well back online definitely helps us support Selma's every day and emergency water needs," Andrada said. "Restoring this well is an important addition for the community."

About California Water Service

California Water Service provides high-quality, reliable water utility services to about 25,000 people through more than 6,400 service connections in Selma and serves more than 2 million people statewide through 499,400 service connections. 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 has been named one of "America's Most Responsible Companies" and one of the "World's

Most Trustworthy Companies" by *Newsweek*, a USA Top Workplace, and a Great Place to Work®. More information is available at www.calwater.com.