

Golden State Water Highlights More Than \$1.6 Million Planned for Local Water Infrastructure Projects in 2018

In recognition of "Infrastructure Week" from May 14-21, 2018, Golden State Water Company (Golden State Water) is highlighting plans to invest more than \$1.6 million this year for local water infrastructure projects throughout the Clearlake service area.

Golden State Water continually invests to maintain and improve the local water system to ensure delivery of reliable, quality water is not compromised. Local projects planned for 2018 include:

- Pipeline projects to install an estimated 4,790 feet of water main throughout the service area.
- Water supply enhancements through facilities upgrades.

For a complete list of local infrastructure projects, <u>click here</u>.

"All water providers have a duty to maintain and improve their infrastructure to ensure the safety and reliability of drinking water service, and Golden State Water takes that responsibility seriously," said Denise Kruger, Senior Vice President of Regulated Utilities for Golden State Water. "Proactive system maintenance is critical to protecting water service now and for future generations."

Golden State Water's statewide infrastructure includes approximately 2,800 miles of pipe, 200 groundwater wells, 400 booster pump stations, 25,000 hydrants and four surfacewater treatment plants that must be maintained properly to deliver drinking water to more than 1 million customers throughout Southern, Coastal and Northern California.

"Golden State Water plans to invest more than \$110 million in 2018 for infrastructure projects throughout our service areas," said Kruger. "Golden State Water's infrastructure maintenance program aims to responsibly update aging pipelines on a replacement schedule of approximately 100 years. For comparison, the 2017 Report Card for America's Infrastructure issued by the American Society of Civil Engineers noted a national average replacement schedule of 200 years for pipes designed to last 75-100 years."

For additional information about Golden State Water's infrastructure program, customers are encouraged to <u>click here</u> or follow @GoldenStateH2O on Twitter and Facebook.