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Dear Community Member:

The San Diego County Water Authority is working to ensure that the San Diego region continues to have a safe, reliable water supply. The Lake Hodges Projects, part of the Emergency Storage Project, will help keep water flowing throughout the region if a catastrophic event, such as an earthquake or a prolonged drought, were to cut off or reduce our imported water deliveries. A status update on the projects is summarized below.

Construction Activities
Construction crews are focused on the installation and operational testing of the equipment and critical components within the pump station. And while this work continues on a steady pace, on January 18 the heavy downpour of rains infiltrated the pump station and impacted the overall project schedule. To minimize the impacts to the schedule, a specialized work crew will begin working at 5 a.m., Monday through Saturday. The two extra hours of work will give more time for the specialized crew to assist with the project.

Construction Work Hours
Normal construction hours will continue from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday and on Saturdays, when needed. However, as noted above, the specialized work crews will start working at 5 a.m. As a reminder, workers will enter the site in private vehicles and no equipment or trucking deliveries are allowed before 7 a.m. If you have questions about the construction activities or schedule, please contact the project staff. See For More Information below.

Del Dios Town Council Briefing
The Water Authority’s project team attended the February 10 Del Dios Town Council meeting to provide a project update. Project team members provided information about the removed coffer dam, the pump station, restoration of Lake Drive and the Coast to Crest Trail, selection of a landscape contractor, and the final landscape plan.

For More Information
The Lake Hodges Projects community update letters are being distributed electronically. If you prefer to receive this information by postal mail, please call the toll-free project information line or send an email with your request to the email address noted below.

For more information on this project, please call the project information line at (877) 426-2010, email ESPinfo@sdcwa.org or visit the project website at cip-esp.sdcwa.org and select “Lake Hodges Projects.”

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We appreciate your patience and understanding as we construct these critical water facilities to support the region’s $174 billion economy and the quality of life of 3.2 million residents.

Sincerely,

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San Diego County Water Authority

Water Authority staff provide an update to the Del Dios Town Council on February 10.