The Water Authority is a public agency serving the San Diego region as a wholesale supplier of water. The Water Authority works through its 24 member agencies to provide a safe, reliable water supply to support the region’s $171 billion economy and the quality of life of 3 million residents.

Construction on the first phase of the San Vicente Dam Raise project is now well under way and the work is progressing smoothly.

Construction crews are using controlled blasts at the San Vicente site almost daily to excavate new roads and the foundations for the dam raise. The contractor is also removing pieces of concrete from the existing dam and demolishing the former marina area. All of this work is being monitored by the San Diego County Water Authority; the city of San Diego, the owner and operator of the dam; and the California Department of Water Resources, Division of Safety of Dams.

During this work, there may be times that the contractor will need to work on Saturdays to stay on schedule, but the Water Authority does not anticipate that this work will affect nearby residents.

The next phase of construction, which includes the placement of concrete to raise the height of the dam 117 feet, is expected to begin in spring 2010. That work will include night and weekend work. Nearby residents will be notified before this work begins.

For more information about the project, please call toll free (877) 426-2010, email ESPinfo@sdca.org, or visit cip-esp.sdcwa.org and click on “San Vicente Dam Raise.”

A crane more than 300 feet tall helps crews remove pieces of concrete from the dam.
Crews remove the spillway guide walls from the dry face of the dam to prepare it for additional concrete that will raise the dam by 117 feet.

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