



Security Water and Sanitation Districts

Customer Update October, 2020

From the Security Sanitation District:

Work continues on the Security Sanitation District's improvements to its wastewater treatment plant. Construction began in August, 2018 and will be ongoing into 2022. The portion of the improvements required as part of the District's discharge permit are expected to be completed by June of 2021. Moltz Construction, from Salida, Colorado, is the Construction Manager for this project.

This investment is needed to upgrade the aging infrastructure and to meet current and future discharge permit requirements imposed by Colorado's Department of Public Health and Environment. The District's only wastewater treatment plant was originally constructed in 1954 and upgraded in 1988. The old portion of the plant has remained operational while the new portion of the plant is being built around it. Some of the features of the old portion of the plant will remain in place, while new water basins and other structures are being added or expanded. The plant is located in Fountain on Southmoor Drive.



The District Board has been planning for these improvements for years and has adjusted wastewater rates accordingly in anticipation of the upgrades. Consequently, the Board does not anticipate the need for substantial future rate increases to pay for this construction.



The Board has chosen to name the facility in honor of a long-time contributor to the success of the Security Sanitation District. Dick Gilham started as an entry-level employee of the District in 1972. Shortly after his retirement as District Superintendent in 1994, Dick was appointed to fill vacancies on the Boards of Directors of the Security Sanitation District and the Security Water District. He recently announced his retirement from the Boards, as their President, after 48 years of service to the Districts. In appreciation of Dick's immeasurable contribution to the Security Sanitation and Water Districts and the community, the new name of the facility is the Dick Gilham Water Reclamation Facility.

We will continue to provide periodic updates on the progress of this project.

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From the Security Water District:

Construction activities for the water mitigation facility are ongoing. The infrastructure and engineering firm AECOM and its subcontractors are constructing a state-of-the-art drinking water mitigation facility, as well as all of the piping and appurtenances necessary to bring water from the District's wells to the central facility. Under the direction of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and the U.S. Air Force (USAF), this facility is being constructed in order to mitigate historic groundwater contamination. The facility will allow Security to once again utilize its groundwater resources, including 24 wells that have not been used since 2016.

AECOM staff and its subcontractors are coordinating their activities with the appropriate USACE, USAF and Security Water District personnel to ensure the protection of the general public and construction workers as well as the prevention of damage in the involved work locations. The contractor is taking all necessary precautions to provide security where appropriate and ensure that field teams follow all necessary safety protocols. Work in the affected areas is being implemented in a manner that minimizes disruption and inconvenience within the vicinity of the work area.



Work in the Security Water District service area is expected to continue into 2021. AECOM, the USACE, USAF and Security Water District personnel are working closely with each other to coordinate field work activities.



The Security Water District will continue to provide periodic community announcements containing information about activities in the local area. In addition, please visit Security's website (www.securitywsd.com) for information and updates about this vital water quality project. Immediate concerns and questions can be submitted to info@securitywsd.com or by calling us at 719-392-3475.

We thank you for your patience and cooperation during this period of construction that will result in an improved water system for all Security residents and customers.