



# Press Release



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## **CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE BEGINS THOUSAND OAKS WATER INFRASTRUCTURE UPGRADE TO IMPROVE WATER SUPPLY RELIABILITY, FIRE PROTECTION**

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THOUSAND OAKS, Calif.—California Water Service (Cal Water) begins a water infrastructure upgrade in east Thousand Oaks this week to strengthen water system reliability and fire protection for local customers. Crews will install 1,150 feet of new 12- and 6-inch water main in a two-phase project that is expected to be completed by the end of August.

“Protecting our customers’ health and safety is our highest priority, and that begins with having infrastructure that is ready to meet their daily and emergency needs,” said Mike Jasper, Westlake District Manager. “Proactively replacing aging water main allows us to continue delivering a reliable supply of safe, clean water to the community and local first responders before that infrastructure becomes unreliable.”

During the first phase, crews are working on Arroyo Oaks Drive and Bridgewood Lane, Monday through Friday, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. The second phase will occur on Westlake Boulevard, just north of Hillcrest Drive. Customers in the immediate construction area will be notified of any brief water service interruptions required during the main installation. Crews will also make every effort to minimize traffic disruptions in the area.

Temporary asphalt will be applied until permanent paving is completed approximately 30 days after project completion. This waiting period allows the trench to fully compact, helping provide a smoother road surface when finished.



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The project is part of Cal Water's Main Replacement Program, which focuses on proactively replacing aging infrastructure, while maximizing the existing infrastructure's life to help prevent small, manageable issues from getting bigger and more expensive to fix.

## **About California Water Service**

California Water Service provides high-quality, reliable water utility services to about 19,500 people through 7,100 service connections in the community of Westlake Village, located in the city of Thousand Oaks, and more than 2.1 million people statewide through 500,000 service connections. Cal Water's purpose is to enhance the quality of life for customers and communities. 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 1,200 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, commemorating a century of service this year, 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](http://www.calwater.com).

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