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## **Hayward opens valve on Phase 1 of new Recycled Water System**

**HAYWARD, Calif.**, April 12, 2022— The City of Hayward has begun delivering recycled water for irrigation and commercial uses to customers within approximately three miles of its Water Pollution Control Facility, the City's Public Works & Utilities Department announced today.

By delivering approximately 260,000 gallons daily for use at 31 park, school and commercial sites on the City's west side, the new Recycled Water System is helping to reduce demand for potable water amid the ongoing drought and is helping to cut the treated wastewater that is discharged into the San Francisco Bay.

The beginning of recycled water deliveries on March 24 capped a seven-year, \$30 million effort to construct and begin operation of Phase 1 of the Hayward Recycled Water Project, which was paid for in-part with a \$5.8 million grant and a low-interest \$21.2 million loan, both from the California Water Resources Control Board's Clean Water State Revolving Fund.

Phase 1 Project infrastructure includes a membrane treatment facility capable of processing 500,000 gallons of water a day, a one-million-gallon storage tank and 8.5 miles of distribution pipeline and customer connections.

Phase 2 Project planning is to begin soon to make this sustainable, drought-resistant source of recycled water available to even more customers. For more information on the Hayward Recycled Water Project, visit the Project page [here](#) on the City of Hayward website.