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# UTILITY DEPARTMENT UPDATES

# 8<sup>th</sup> St. Upper Aquifer Well

The work on the 8<sup>th</sup> St. Upper Aquifer began January 31, 2022. There will still be some delays in completing the project due to supply chain issues with the electrical components. If all goes according to schedule, it is anticipated the project will be completed in April.

# 16th Street South Tank Rehab and Coating Project

The 16<sup>th</sup> St. Tank project was slated to begin in early January, but COVID related workforce issues have delayed the start date of the Project. Covid related issues delayed the coating phase. The Project began the end of January beginning of February and should be completed by April. Neighbors were noticed that contractors will begin work on site the week of February 14<sup>th</sup> and there will be a release of water from the tank.

# Program C Well

The Minor Use Permit required for the project was submitted to the County October 8<sup>th</sup>. The County has indicated the permit will move to administrative hearing in March. Staff will be working with the Wallace Group and Cleath-Harris to finalize the well drilling specifications and bid document so the bid package can be released upon approval of the Minor Use Permit and the Board. A grant application was submitted to the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) for approximately \$1.6 million is still pending. Staff has been in contact with DWR and we have confirmed that we will hear from them by the end of February 2022.

# Looking Ahead

There has been a lot of conversations on social media regarding remodels and additions to existing homes and the impact that they might have on water supply. Staff is currently working on an analysis to provide data and information to help inform the conversation. We are looking at presenting the information at the March 16<sup>th</sup> meeting.