

WATER STORAGE EWEB IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

Access to clean water is vital to our community. EWEB is hard at work making sure safe, reliable water continues to flow even as critical infrastructure ages and new challenges arise.



In addition to programs to safeguard water quality in the McKenzie River, we have fortified the Hayden Bridge Water Filtration plant, are upgrading water pump stations and improving water mains. We are also developing neighborhood emergency water stations in case of a major disruption to our water distribution system.

There's still more work to do. In the next decade, we plan to construct new water storage facilities near 40th Ave. and Donald St., and replace the water storage systems at EWEB's College Hill and Hawkins Hill sites. This is a significant investment aimed at diversifying EWEB's water storage system with additional, but smaller tanks, to enhance resiliency, water quality, and systems operations.

Projects at the three sites include:



New 7.5 million gallon tank replacing the existing 15 MG tank built in 1930s. Potential for second 7.5 MG tank in future



Two new 7.5 million gallon tanks replacing the existing 20 MG tank built in the 1960s.



Two new 7.5 MG tanks on a vacant 10-acre site acquired by EWEB in 1950 as a future water storage site.

Although these facilities are located in the hills of south Eugene, the improvements benefit the entire community - generations of residents, hundreds of business, medical facilities and emergency services, schools and parks.

What's the status of the work?

As a public utility, we are committed to careful planning, responsible use of public funds, and meaningful customer engagement.

We are in early planning stages of this work. Technical assessments are underway, we are creating community outreach plans and reaching out to neighbors and other interested parties.

Check out 4 eweb.org/waterstorage for more project information and updates.