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Town of Windsor Achieves 100% Wastewater Recycling Milestone Achieving Another Pillar in the Town's NetZero Program

Windsor, California (September 17, 2025) – Since 2019, the Town of Windsor has been working diligently toward its long-term sustainability goal of achieving net-zero status at the Water Reclamation Facility. With the recent completion of the interconnection and ALWSZ wastewater system consolidation with Sonoma Water in July, the Town has reached a major milestone: 100% of the community's wastewater is now recycled and beneficially reused. This water is used to irrigate our parks, public spaces, and golf courses, as well as for power generation at the Geysers Power Generation Facility, effectively eliminating wastewater discharges into Mark West Creek and the Russian River Basin.

This achievement represents a significant step forward in protecting local waterways, enhancing regional water resiliency and advancing the Town's commitment to environmental stewardship. While supplementary facility enhancements are still underway, the successful partnership between the Town and Sonoma Water demonstrates what can be accomplished through collaboration and innovation in water resource management.

"Completing this interconnection/consolidation project not only advances our community's environmental goals, but also ensures long-term benefits for residents, the watershed and future generations. We are proud of the teamwork and shared vision that made this milestone possible.", states Mayor Rosa Reynoza.

In addition to achieving 100% reuse, the Town's application for funding from the State of California through the State Revolving Fund (SRF) has been accepted to fund the Biosolids Facility Project. This support includes access to a low-interest loan program that can potentially save tens of millions of dollars in interest costs for local ratepayers, further underscoring the Town's commitment to responsible fiscal management alongside sustainability.

The Town remains committed to advancing sustainable water management practices and will continue implementing projects that protect natural resources, improve water quality and deliver value to the community. For more information, please visit: https://townofwindsor.ca.gov/1436/NetZero-Wastewater

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