



WATER RELIABILITY TODAY & TOMORROW

Drinking Water Wastewater Reclaimed Water Stormwater

Telling the Story, as We Plan for the Future *Reclamation and Stormwater Needs Rise to the Top*

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City Council is getting briefed this month on upcoming infrastructure needs for Flagstaff's water system.

Flagstaff's Two Water Reclamation Plants operate 24/7 to protect public health and the environment, processing wastewater to produce class A+ reclaimed water for re-use and release into drainage systems. The Wildcat Hill plant turns 50 this year and it's reaching its solids and liquid handling capacity, so rehabilitation and expansion are on the horizon. Flagstaff Water Services is leading a dialogue with the city council, water commission, and citizens regarding the need for addressing capacity issues, climate change impacts, and the potential for expanding reclaimed water use by implementing more advanced treatment technologies.



Aerial view of Wildcat Hill Water Reclamation Plant



Cross-Vein Weirs Manage Stormwater Flow

Stormwater Management is Also a Priority given the flooding from monsoon rains in recent years. While our mountains provide great outdoor amenities, the drainages move rainfall directly into our city. Climate change is making the problem worse, as evidenced by 100 to 300-year storms occurring every few years. Mitigating the risks requires cooperation with the Forest Service, Coconino County, and private landowners. Flagstaff Water Services is looking to invest in short-term and long-term preventative measures to head off the damage and costs of simply reacting to flood emergencies.

Residents will be hearing more about these two water issues over the next year. Working together, we can come up with effective solutions that are good for the environment, businesses, and residents.

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