



# THE PIPELINE

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

February 2025

---

**Message from Jamey West, Water Reclamation Facility Administrator**



As the administrator of Salt Lake City's Water Reclamation Facility (WRF), I'm lucky to work with an incredible team and celebrate our achievements together. Constructing a new facility to replace Salt Lake City's only wastewater treatment plant provides even more opportunities to recognize our accomplishments.

This year marks the sixth year of our project to build a New WRF. We broke ground in 2019, and we're on track to complete and begin using the new facility in 2026. Replacing this critical infrastructure is a complex undertaking. Because this is the only facility that receives Salt Lake City's wastewater, treats it to remove contaminants, and then safely returns it to the environment once it meets all water quality standards, it is imperative that we get every step of the process right.

The New WRF has been strategically designed to meet new, stricter water quality standards. As Salt Lake City grows and welcomes more industries, our new facility will be ready to treat the additional wastewater and continue meeting our obligation to safely return treated wastewater to Great Salt Lake.

Protecting water quality is critical for public health, and Salt Lake City's Water Reclamation team takes this responsibility very seriously. As we build the New WRF, we're also learning how to operate and maintain it efficiently. When the time comes to transition from our current 60-year-old facility to the new, state-of-the-art facility, we'll be prepared to ensure smooth, uninterrupted service.

Many people don't think much about wastewater treatment. Our work often happens far from view in the northwest corner of the City. But even if you don't see us, we're here, working for you every day. We're honored to provide this essential service to Salt Lake City, and we thank you for your support.

[Learn about the New WRF](#)

---

In January 2025, the Institute for Sustainable Infrastructure (ISI) welcomed two new members to its Envision Review



**DID YOU KNOW...?**

Board including Holly Lopez, SLCDPU's Policy & Public Affairs Director. In her current role, Holly manages SLCDPU's sustainability efforts and her inclusion on ISI's Envision Review Board is a natural extension of those responsibilities. [Click here](#) to read more about Holly's appointment to the Envision Review Board and to learn more about how ISI is working to ensure all civil infrastructure projects are sustainable, resilient, and equitable.



**Holly Lopez**, SLCDPU's Policy & Public Affairs Director, has been appointed to the Institute for Sustainable Infrastructure's (ISI) Envision Review Board. Holly manages SLCDPU's sustainability efforts and her position on ISI's Envision Review Board will enable her to further "focus on *integrating sustainability into public infrastructure planning and policy.*"

About ISI: ISI imagines a world where every civil infrastructure project can be made sustainable, resilient, and equitable, and to fulfill that vision, we are dedicated to providing people and projects with the tools, resources, and roadmaps needed to succeed. For the ISI community, better infrastructure equals a better world, and working in partnership with B2B SAs and member organizations we are helping communities to thrive and prosper while protecting and restoring the natural world.

Learn more about ISI  
[www.sustainableinfrastructure.org/erb-update-jan2025/](http://www.sustainableinfrastructure.org/erb-update-jan2025/)

## Project Updates

Salt Lake City's Department of Public Utilities manages a number of construction projects to maintain and improve our system. Many of these projects are smaller in scale but we've highlighted a few of our larger projects below. If you're interested in learning more about other SLCDPU projects, please [visit our website](#).

**Wakara Way Water Main Upgrades:** In February 2025, SLCDPU will begin a project to replace an aging, underground water vault and a portion of the existing water pipeline on Wakara Way. This project is vital to maintaining the high-quality drinking water on which our community relies.

## Don't forget - starting this week:

Salt Lake City is changing its curbside collection route for weekly pickup of garbage, recycling, and compost cans. [Click here](#) for more information about the scheduling change.

[Find your pickup day here](#)



Facebook



X



Instagram



LinkedIn

[Salt Lake City Department of Public Utilities](#) | [Salt Lake City](#)

Salt Lake City Department of Public Utilities  
Administrative Offices: 1530 S. West Temple Street | Salt Lake City, UT | 84104  
Customer Service: 801-483-6900 | Report a utility emergency: 801-483-6700

## Meet mySLC, your new communications and knowledge hub!

Download our new **mySLC** app to request services, report non-emergency issues, and learn more about how the City works.

Available now on:



This email was sent to: %emailaddr%

You are receiving this email because our records indicate you requested information about project updates, newsletters, or announcements from Salt Lake City.

If you no longer wish to receive emails from Salt Lake City, please use the links below to manage your preferences or unsubscribe.

[Manage Preferences](#) | [Unsubscribe](#)

[Privacy Policy](#) | [Accessibility](#) | [Mobile Terms and Conditions](#)

© 2024 Salt Lake City Corporation. All rights reserved. This email was sent by: Salt Lake City  
451 South State Street, Salt Lake City, UT, 84111, US