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Business Opportunities Increasing for Major Water Program

The Willamette Water Supply Program (Program), a drinking water infrastructure partnership between the Tualatin Valley Water District and the City of Hillsboro, has released its baseline design and construction schedule - a milestone that sets a multitude of business opportunities into motion for the next decade.

“This major water infrastructure project spans across five cities in Washington County, including Wilsonville, Tualatin, Sherwood, Beaverton, and Hillsboro,” notes Dave Kraska, Willamette Water Supply Program Director. “We have divided the work up into smaller pieces over several years. This allows and provides local and regional businesses of all sizes an opportunity to be a part of this historic project that will benefit the local economy, provide jobs, and support regional economic development.”

The Program schedule includes the various construction components needed through 2026 when water will begin to flow to Tualatin Valley Water District and City of Hillsboro water customers through the new water system. This gives the business community a look into the timing of opportunities for the more than one-billion dollar program. More than 30

procurements for design, construction, and related supporting services are expected, and additional business opportunities will result for sub-contractors and suppliers. Businesses and contracting opportunities, along with the schedule, are posted and updated online at: www.ourreliablewater.org/business-opportunities.

The earthquake-resilient system includes building a modified intake on the Willamette River, a water treatment plant, storage tanks, and more than 30 miles of large-diameter transmission pipeline traveling north from Wilsonville, through Beaverton, and into Hillsboro. The mid-Willamette River at Wilsonville will be the new water supply source for the Willamette Water Supply System. Although current demands are met through other sources, the addition of a new, regional source will provide improved water supply reliability and system resiliency. Developing an additional water supply through a partnership supports the region's plans for responsible growth within the urban growth boundary. For more information about the Willamette Water Supply Program, visit www.OurReliableWater.org or call 503-941-4570.

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