

AMI Program Update



August 2020

AMI Project Progress

- ◆ Council Contract Approval
- ◆ Contracts Negotiated & Executed
- ◆ Aclara Kickoff
- ◆ WaterSmart Kickoff
- ◆ 190+ DCU Site Surveys Completed (*survey ongoing*) – *1st Installation 8/19.*
- ◆ Receipt of Initial Pilot Equipment
- ◆ Change Management
 - Business Process Reviews
 - Training Planning
 - Internal Communications [Intranet Site](#)
 - Change Network Established

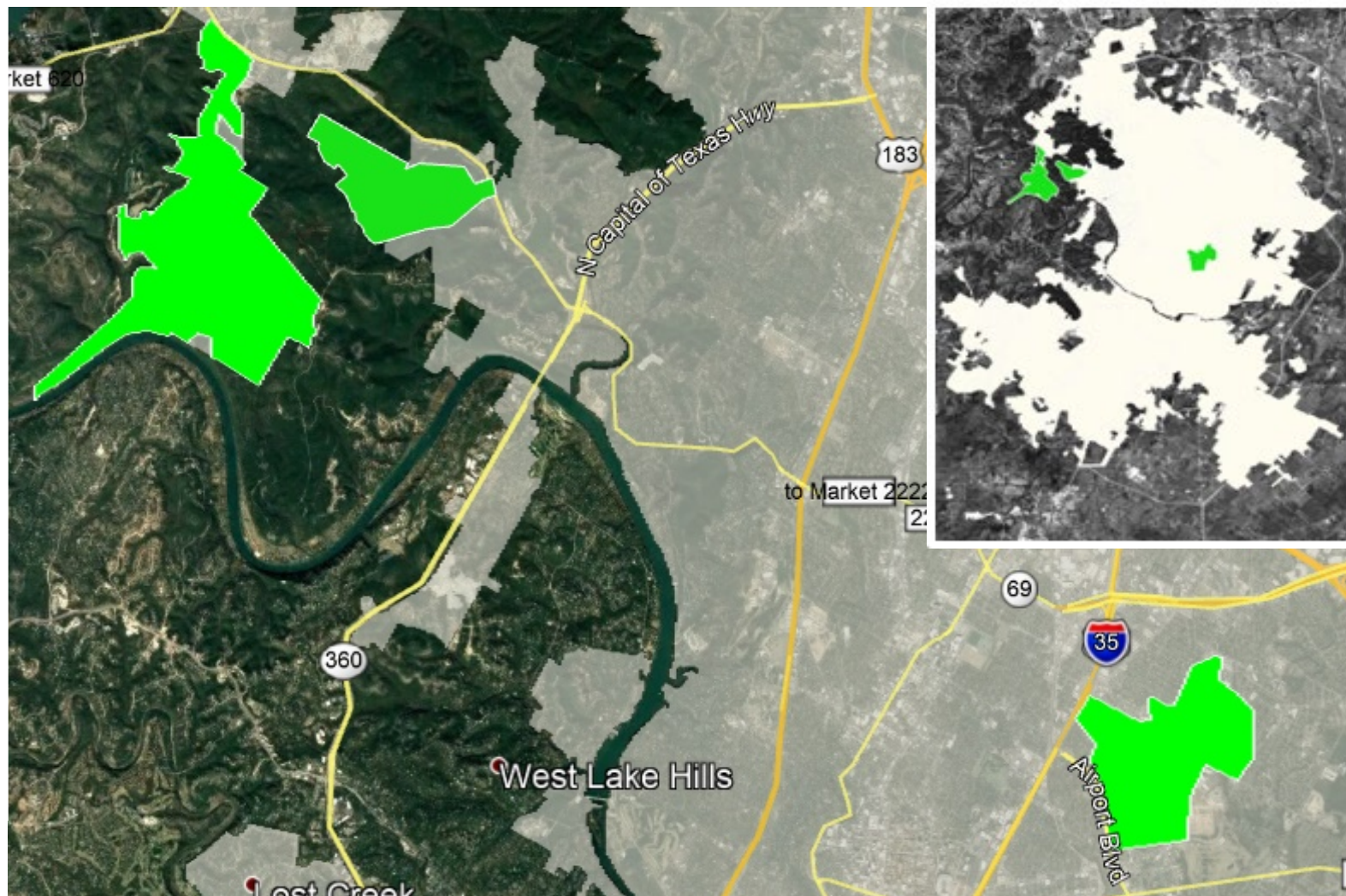


Pilot Area Guiding Criteria:

- Challenging terrain (RF Propagation)
- Challenging installs (aged infrastructure)
- Maximize inclusion of council districts
- Maximize inclusion of entire read routes
- Variety of meter sizes
- Variety of dwelling types
- Total Meters ~5,000

Pilot Target Areas

- River Place/Glenlake and Long Canyon
 - Council Districts: 10, 6
 - ~1920 meters
- Windsor Park/Mueller
 - Council Districts: 1,9,4
 - ~2840 Meters





My ATX Water External Communications Strategy for Pilot



My ATX Water Pilot

External Communications Schedule

Planning and Preparing Internal Stakeholders	Launch Communications to External Stakeholders	Communications for Customers in the Pilot
May – July	August	September – December (estimated)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Finalized pilot boundaries and details ▪ Finalized Materials and FAQ ▪ Message and communication briefings: 3-1-1, Austin Energy and Austin Water staff ▪ Created internal SharePoint 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Advance Communication to Council Offices – Email and materials to staff of Districts located within the pilot ▪ Press release and social media ▪ Launch new webpage ▪ Mailer to pilot customers ▪ Austin Water Oversight Committee update ▪ Water & Wastewater Commission update 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mailer to pilot customers continues ▪ Postcard to pilot customers ▪ Pilot meters installed ▪ Door hangers for pilot customers ▪ Community outreach and virtual meetings <p>Future</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Customer Feedback (surveys)

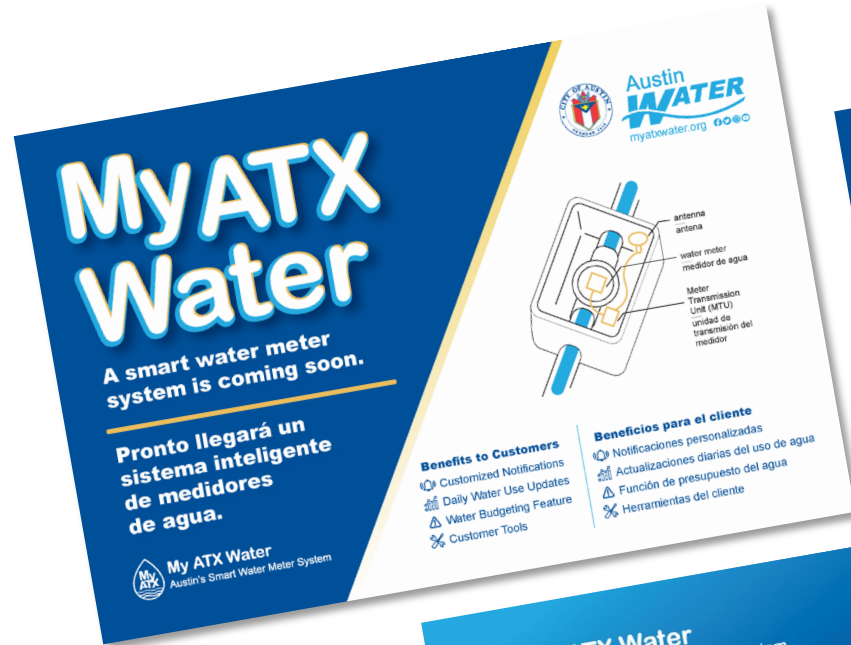


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Austin's Smart Water Meter System



Customer Communication Materials



MyATX Water
A smart water meter system is coming soon.

Pronto llegará un sistema inteligente de medidores de agua.

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Benefits to Customers

- Customized Notifications
- Daily Water Use Updates
- Water Budgeting Feature
- Customer Tools

Beneficios para el cliente

- Notificaciones personalizadas
- Actualizaciones diarias del uso de agua
- Función de presupuesto del agua
- Herramientas del cliente

Diagram: antenna, water meter, Meter Transmission Unit (MTU), unidad de transmisión del medidor



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Good news! You are included in the My ATX Water Pilot Project, and a new water meter will be installed soon giving you more access to your water use data.

My ATX Water, Austin's smart water meter system, will replace analog water meters with electronically read meters connected to a wireless network. A customer portal will provide daily water use data and custom notifications.

How it Works

- A new digital meter will replace current meters at each home or business.
- Water use data will be collected and transmitted daily to a customer portal via a secure wireless connection.
- Customers need to sign up for the customer portal, where they can track water use and get alerts when water use increases, or possible leaks are detected.
- Customers will continue to receive a monthly bill for water and wastewater services.

Benefits to Customers

- Customized Notifications**
Sign up for custom notifications if your water use suddenly increases, indicating a possible water leak.
- Daily Water Use Updates**
Your data is at your fingertips. Know how much water you are using.
- Water Budgeting Feature**
Sign up for alerts if your water usage is exceeding your threshold.
- Customer Tools**
Water use reports help you reduce your water use and save on your monthly bill.

Planning for Austin's Future

The project is an important strategy to achieve water conservation goals in Austin Water's 100-year water plan, known as Water Forward. Austin Water is committed to affordability for our customers and has worked with the Texas Water Development Board to secure a low-interest loan that will help fund the majority of the project.

Planificación para el futuro de Austin

El proyecto es una estrategia importante para lograr los objetivos de conservación de agua en el plan de agua de 100 años de Austin Water, conocido como Water Forward.

Beneficios para los clientes

- Notificaciones personalizadas:** inscribirse para recibir notificaciones personalizadas si su uso de agua aumenta repentinamente. lo cual indica una posible fuga.
- Actualizaciones diarias del uso de agua:** sus datos están a su alcance. Sepa cuánto agua está utilizando.
- Función de presupuesto de agua:** inscribirse para recibir alertas si su uso de agua excede su límite.
- Herramientas del cliente:** los informes del uso de agua le ayudan a reducir su uso de agua ahorrar en su factura mensual.

¡Buenas noticias! Usted está incluido en el Proyecto piloto de My ATX Water, y pronto se instalará un nuevo medidor de agua que le dará más acceso a sus datos de uso del agua.

My ATX Water, el Sistema de medidores de agua inteligente de Austin, reemplazará los medidores de agua analógicos por medidores de lectura electrónica conectados a una red inalámbrica. Un portal del cliente proveerá datos diarios del uso de agua y notificaciones personalizadas.



What to Expect

- You will receive a postcard in the mail before your meter installation. Please clear landscaping. Personal water sensors or other items that are blocking access to your meter box, clear debris and remove any personal devices.
- Aclara, a contractor to Austin Water, will replace your meter. You will experience a brief interruption in your water service during the installation. It should take about 20 minutes.
- Crews will leave a door hanger with instructions for flushing your water line after the meter installation and accessing the My ATX Water portal.

For more information

- Visit: myatxwater.org
- Call: 512-494-9400

Qué debe esperar

- Recibirá una tarjeta postal por correo antes de la instalación de su medidor. Por favor despeje plantas, sensores de agua personales u otros artículos que estén bloqueando el acceso a su medidor de agua. Las cuadrillas revisarán la caja del medidor, despejarán los escombros y quitarán todos los dispositivos personales.
- Aclara, un contratista de Austin Water, cambiará su medidor. Se interrumpirá brevemente el servicio de agua durante la instalación. Deberá tomar unos 20 minutos.
- Después de la instalación, las cuadrillas dejarán un aviso en la puerta con instrucciones.

Diagram: antenna, water meter, Meter Transmission Unit (MTU), Secure Wireless Network, Billing and Data Analytics, My ATX Water Customer Portal



Your new smart water meter has been installed.

Action Needed: We recommend you clear sediment in your water line by running an outside spigot and cold water in a bath tub for 10 minutes before using any other indoor water. You may also need to clean screens on faucets and shower heads.

Para obtener más información

- Visite: myatxwater.org
- Llame al: 512-494-9400

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Website Launch

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The Austin City Council approved contracts on March 26, 2020, paving the way for Austin Water to modernize its water metering system. Over the next five years, the project will replace more than 230,000 analog water meters with electronically read water meters connected to a wireless network. The project will also develop a customer portal with near-real time water use data where customers can sign-up for customized notifications.

Austin Water will notify customers when their installation is scheduled. Customers can expect to receive much more information in the coming months.

About Austin's Smart Water Meter System

What is the My ATX Water Project?

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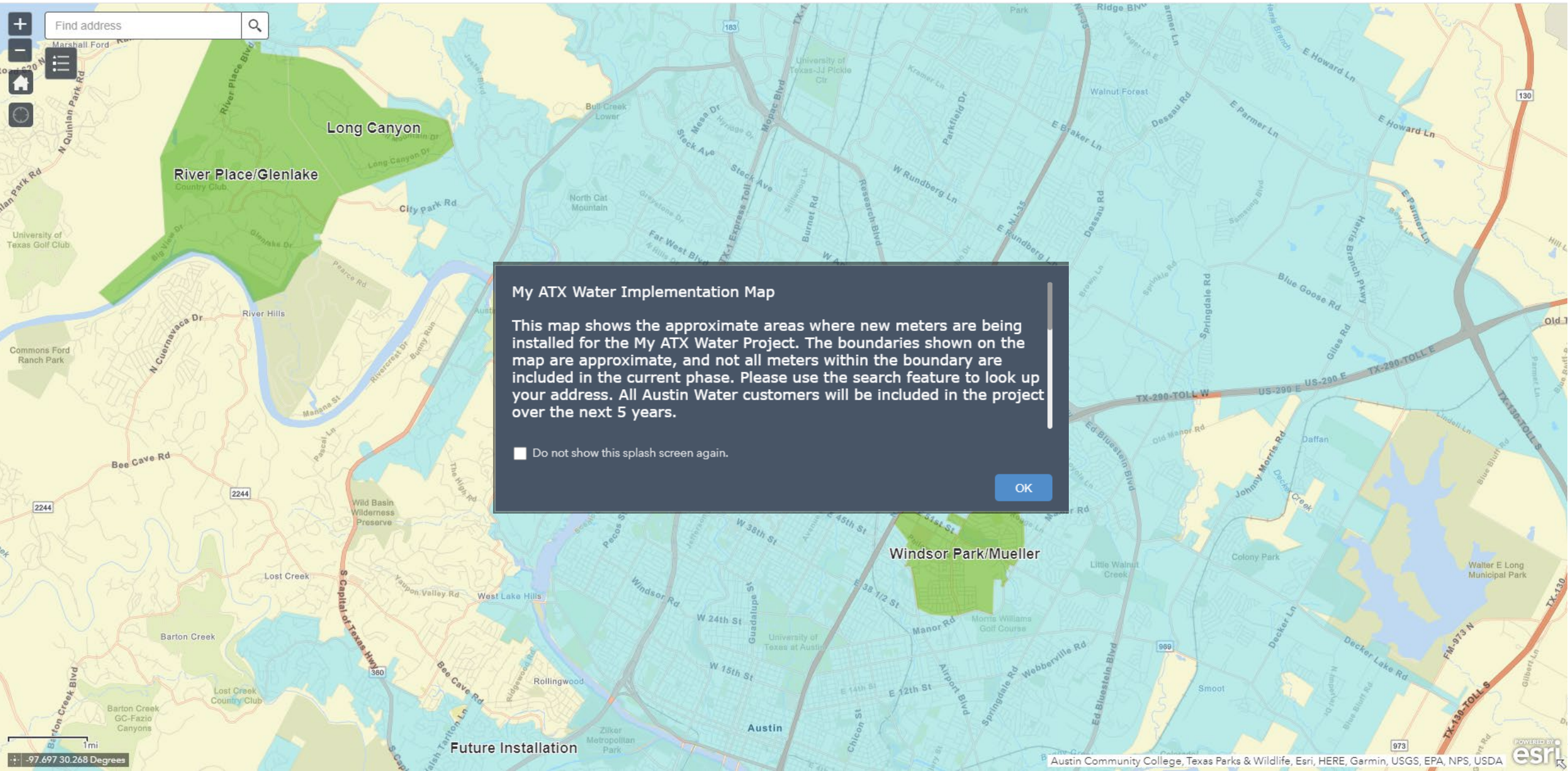
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Contact Info

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Pilot Project Area Map



ACCOUNT NUMBER SERVICE ADDRESS
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I Want To...



Understand a high bill



Sign up for unusual use alerts



Check if I have a leak

My Daily Use

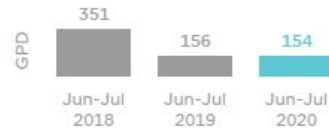
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Gallons Per Day

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Customer Portal Platform

- Online Customer Self-Service Portal
- Water Use Data & Analytics
- Customized Messaging, Conservation Tips & More
- Automated Alerts & Notifications



Future Updates

- AMI Project Process
- Pilot Area Activities
- Customer Portal Rollout Plan





Questions?

