

# NORTH SYSTEM RENEWAL



## Fact Sheet

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Denver Water is celebrating serving the Denver metro area for 100 years in 2018. The water we provide to 1.4 million residents helps maintain a vibrant city and many of its surrounding suburbs. We are passionate and dedicated to the people we serve and those who live and work near our facilities.

Denver Water's North System brings snowmelt from the mountains through a series of reservoirs, pipelines and a treatment plant to produce clean, great-tasting water for our customers. Water is transported through the Moffat Tunnel and stored in Ralston Reservoir located in Jefferson County. Currently, untreated water is sent through two 8.5-mile pipelines from Ralston Reservoir to the Moffat Treatment Plant in Lakewood, where it is treated and distributed to homes and businesses across Denver Water's service area.

### CRITICAL UPDATES TO OUR AGING WATER SYSTEM

Denver Water's North System was constructed in the 1930s, when most of the surrounding area was rural farmland. Now, 80 years later, the North System is reaching the end of its lifespan. Because of age and wear and tear, the pipelines and valves in our North System need to be replaced and our water treatment technology updated. Upgrading

and modernizing the system will give us the opportunity to "right size" the treatment capacity for our water demands today and into the future. These improvements are necessary not only to maintain reliable water service for our customers, but also to avoid service failures that could adversely impact neighbors who live and work near our infrastructure. We take pride in our proactive approach to maintain a reliable water system. When finished, the North System will be resilient and adaptable to changing demands for water.

The North System Renewal includes three major components:

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### PROJECT COMPONENTS



Northwater Treatment Plant



Northwater Pipeline



Moffat Site

### CONSTRUCTION TIME FRAME

2017 - 2024

### COST

\$520 million for NTP and upgrades to the Moffat Site + \$80 million for Northwater Pipeline = \$600 million



**Northwater Treatment Plant:** We are building a new, state-of-the-art water treatment plant next to the Ralston Reservoir, north of Golden, in Jefferson County. The Northwater Treatment Plant will initially be capable of treating 75 million gallons of water per day (mgd) with the ability to be upgraded to 150 mgd. The new plant will be equipped with disinfection technology that will provide more flexibility to react to changes in water quality.



**Northwater Pipeline:** We are installing a 66" diameter pipeline along an 8.5-mile route from Ralston Reservoir to the Moffat site in Lakewood, replacing the existing 42" pipeline. The pipeline will transport treated water from the newly built Northwater Treatment Plant to the Moffat site for distribution to our customers.



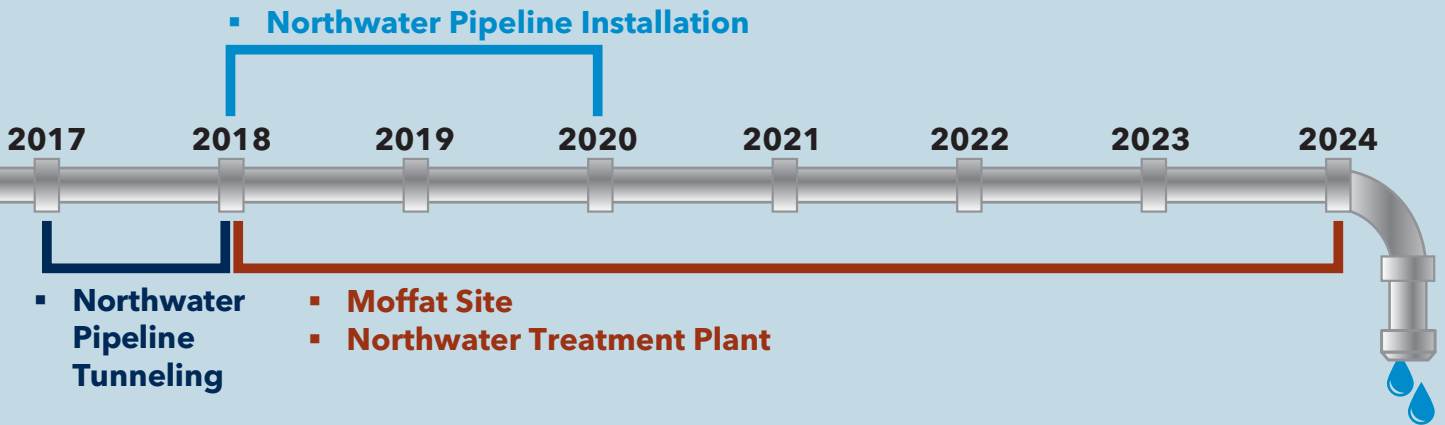
**Moffat Site:** The Moffat Treatment Plant will remain a treatment plant at reduced capacity (60 mgd). The plant will also be used as a distribution site for water treated at the Northwater Treatment Plant.



## BEING A GOOD NEIGHBOR

Denver Water is committed to supporting our neighbors and the surrounding community as we move through these projects. We will mitigate construction impacts and inconveniences wherever possible and communicate early and often to ensure that residents can plan accordingly.

## NORTH SYSTEM RENEWAL TIMELINE



*\* As with any construction project, the schedule is dependent on a number of factors. It will be updated as construction progresses.*