



After more than a five-year grant application process, in December 2021, SCV Water secured a \$3.93 million grant from the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) to construct a permanent water supply for LARC and LOV Mobile Village.

LARC and LOV operate community water systems for their residents, including wells, water storage tanks and onsite-piping networks. Due to extended drought conditions and the lack of groundwater recharge in the Bouquet Canyon Creek area, LARC had been unable to operate their wells since 2015 and forced to haul water to meet the needs of their residents. LOV relies on a single well that has been threatened by drought.

In addition to serving LARC and LOV, SCV Water is hoping to increase drought resiliency and reliability in this part of its service area for existing developments.

### Pipeline Project and Map

Anticipated to begin in March 2024, SCV Water will construct a 1.8-mile pipeline along Bouquet Canyon Road that will connect Los Angeles Residential Community (LARC) Ranch and Lily of the Valley (LOV) to the public water system with master meters. The anticipated completion is fall 2025 (about one year).

While grant funding from the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) paid for the cost of an 8-inch pipeline, (the minimum size needed to serve LARC and LOV), SCV Water opted to pay for an upsize of the line from 8-inch to 12-inch so that other existing property owners adjacent to the project route, that rely on private wells, may connect now or in the future.

There is no obligation for anyone to connect to the pipeline now or in the future. Existing property owners that do not initially request a meter are not precluded from requesting a meter in the future. However, residents that may qualify for grant funds from the State would not be eligible for gran funds (it applicable) if they do not request a meter at this time

# **Project Schedule**

The anticipated project schedule is as follows:

| May/June 2024 | June/July 2024   | August/Sept 2024  | Oct 2024                       | Fall 2025               |
|---------------|--|---|--------------------------------|-------------------------|
|               |  |   |                                |                         |
| Bid process   | Submit final<br>budget to State to<br>appropriate grant<br>funding | SCV Water Board<br>approval and<br>construction contract<br>award | Pipeline<br>construction start | Construction completion |

# OPPORTUNITY TO CONNECT TO THE PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM

Although the pipeline was upsized to accommodate new meter connections from residences, businesses and institutions along the pipeline route, existing property owners must apply and pay for a new connection and follow the required conditions.

### **Required Conditions**

- Meters will be located on the public right of way, typically offset from the driveway entrance.
- Must install a backflow preventor on the customer side of the meter.
- Private wells can be kept for irrigation use, but domestic and irrigation water lines must be kept separate.

### **Cost to Connect**

All applicants will be required to pay for the cost of installing a new service line and meter, including capacity fees. However, the State may offer additional grant funds to cover the costs to install meters for residential property owners along the pipeline route who meet certain financial criteria.

# Eligibility for Grant Funding – Residential Applicants

To determine if the customer is eligible for grant funds, residential applicants must submit a household income certification form for consideration.

Criteria include:

- Active residential use and occupied as such.
- Income bracket (< 150% of the State's Median Household Income (MHI) - \$126,145 in Calendar Year 2023)

Household Income Certification forms received after Friday, September 29, 2023, may not qualify for the grant funding.

The timeline for approval may take two to three months.



## Application Deadline & How to Apply

Existing residential and commercial property owners interested in this opportunity must complete:

### Residential

- 1. An initial Intent to Request New Water Service form.
- 2. A Household Income Certification Form (if applicable).

#### Commercial

1. An initial Intent to Request New Water Service form.

All applications and certification forms (if applicable) are due to SCV Water by Friday, September 29, 2023.

### Applications can be submitted in the following ways:

- Email. Please email all required documentation to SCV Water Engineering Services Section email account at LARCpipeline@scvwa.org, Subject: LARC Pipeline New Connection.
- 2. By mail at:

ATTN: LARC Pipeline New Connection SCV Water 26521 Summit Circle Santa Clarita, CA 91350

3. <u>In person</u>, at the 26515 Summit Circle during business hours: M-Th 7:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. and alternating Fridays 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.



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