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60TH ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL EDITION

Key Milestones in Mesa Water History

From its early roots when our community's water came from natural underground springs via artesian wells, to the present, where we provide clean, safe water to more than 110,000 residents, Mesa Water is positioned to continue to serve generations to come.



1960

On January 1, Costa Mesa Water District commenced operations.

1969

Unveiling of new white hydrants signaled a commitment to local water sources.



1990

Completion of Reservoir 1 was one of the first steps in becoming 100% local and reliable.



2020

Mesa Water celebrates 60 years of being one of the most efficient water agencies in Orange County.

Mesa Water Reflections

With so many great things to celebrate at Mesa Water District over the past 60 years, we asked a few folks from the Mesa Water family: **"What do you** *enjoy most about Mesa Water?"*



Artie Hernandez, Construction Inspector: "Meeting and interacting with people in the industry has definitely been the best part. I've learned something new every day in the 39 years I've been at Mesa Water."



Tyler Jernigan, Senior Water Systems Operator: "No two days are the same, there are always new challenges and projects to solve!"



Phil Lauri P.E., Assistant General Manager: "The fact that water is our core mission and that's what we do so well. This effort brings a tremendous value to our rate payers."

2012

Opening the Mesa Water Reliability Facility (MWRF) has allowed 100% locally-reliable water supplies to its service area.



DEDICATED TO SATISFYING OUR COMMUNITY'S WATER NEEDS

Then and Now: A Look at the Past 60 Years

Mesa Water has been, and continues to be, dedicated to providing you with safe and reliable water. Take a look at how we've grown to ensure we meet our community's water needs.



Construction of the MWRF, 2001

MWRF, Present Day

The Mesa Water Reliability Facility (MWRF) is yet another step in providing clean, safe and reliable water.





Costa Mesa County Water District 1960 - 1978

Mesa Consolidated Water District 1978 - 2013

MesaWater DISTRICT®

Mesa Water District, 2013 - Present Day

In 2013, we simplified our name to Mesa Water District (Mesa Water®). The current logo conveys the evolution of our District, and its branding.



Costa Mesa County District Offices, Placentia Avenue, 1960

Mesa Water Office, Placentia Avenue, Present Day

With the exception of both state and U.S. flags flying high, our main office today is almost unrecognizable from 60 years ago.

Join the Celebration!

Follow us on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, and <u>Instagram</u> @MesaWater for videos, stories, and fun facts on our anniversary throughout the year.

Also, be sure to visit https://www.mesawater.org/60years for more information.



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BOARD MEETINGS

Mesa Water's Board meets the second Thursday of each month Regular meetings begin at 6 p.m. at 1965 Placentia Avenue, Costa Mesa, and are open to the public. For more information, call 949.631.1206.

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