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Watson Lake Water Enhancement

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UTILITY PROJECT

Watson Lake Reservoir is listed as an impaired waterway by ADEQ and suffers from harmful algae blooms. In response, the City developed and implemented an Action Plan for water quality improvements.

The project generally consists of establishing water quality monitoring, installing lake circulators, and conducting large-scale treatments to reduce legacy pollution and harmful algae blooms.

Four solar powered water circulators have been installed by IXOM Watercare to reduce algae blooms and promote beneficial microorganism growth. Remote monitoring systems were installed on the circulators November 29, 2024. Water quality monitoring is established and ongoing with a state-licensed lab providing training and oversight. A public request for proposals is being drafted to solicit costs and treatment protocols from qualified lake management vendors for large-scale water quality improvements.

The City's next step is to determine the best cost and timing of lake water treatments to continue the pathway to Watson Lake water quality improvement.

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