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## ***District Earns Two Awards for Project of the Year***

Marina, CA — **Marina Coast Water District** is proud to announce that it received two Projects of the Year awards, one for emergency disaster preparedness and the other for an environmental project. Both are from the American Public Works Association (APWA), Monterey Chapter. The first is for the Ord Village Lift (pump) Station, and the second is for Recycled Water Pipelines. Award Director Phillip Edwards stated that “Your project was impressive, and... your entire team should be very proud of their project’s award.”

**More About the 2024 Project of the Year for Emergency Disaster Preparedness Less Than \$5 Million.** The project involved taking the existing Fort Ord Village sewer lift (pump) station located on the west side of Highway 1, within the Fort Ord Dunes State Park (FODSP), and moving it to the east side of Highway 1 away from the Dunes and closer to most of the customers.

**More About The 2024 Project of the Year For Environmental Projects Greater Than \$5 Million and Less Than \$25 Million.** These recycled water pipelines expand the geographic reach of the Regional Urban Water Augmentation Project to serve irrigation customers along 5 miles of newly completed recycled water distribution mains in the Cities of Marina, Seaside, and unincorporated Monterey County. This is the culmination of many years of work, partnering with Monterey One Water to build the recycled water treatment plant, modifying ordinances, developing rates, negotiating with permitting agencies, training on safety protocols, building infrastructure, and more.

**These awards confirm the District’s commitment to** protecting the environment as well as public health and safety by improving aging facilities and supporting community needs now and in the future.



MCWD employee, Senior Engineer, Andrew Racz, is shown above holding one of the awards.

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***About Marina Coast Water District:*** The MCWD’s mission is to provide customers with high-quality potable and recycled water, wastewater collection, and conservation services that are safe, affordable, reliable, and sustainable through planning, management, and development of water resources in an environmentally sensitive manner. To learn more about Marina Coast Water District, visit [www.mcwd.org](http://www.mcwd.org).