



The Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) program accelerates investment in our nation's water infrastructure by providing long-term, low-cost supplemental loans for regionally and nationally significant projects.

SANTA FELICIA SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

BORROWER: United Water Conservation District

LOCATION: Oxnard, California

WIFIA LOAN AMOUNT: \$13 million

TOTAL WIFIA PROJECT COSTS: \$27 million

POPULATION SERVED BY PROJECT: 310,000 people

NUMBER OF JOBS CREATED: 100 jobs



Santa Felicia Dam

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Santa Felicia Safety Improvement Program in Oxnard, California will modernize the Santa Felicia Dam to enhance its resiliency to seismic events, improve flood protection, expand drinking water supply, and protect public safety. United Water Conservation District is a wholesale supplier of treated drinking water for the cities of Oxnard and Port Hueneme, California. The Santa Felicia Dam is the District's largest surface water source. However, the dam is currently categorized as an extremely high hazard, and United Water Conservation District reduced its capacity by 20% comply with seismic reservoir restrictions. This WIFIA loan supports the planning and design costs for the Santa Felicia Dam's modernization. Construction will occur under a future WIFIA loan and will include a new outlet works system, expansion of a dam spillway, and a new outlet channel. This is the first loan under a master agreement that will commit \$100 million in WIFIA assistance to the United Water Conservation District to accelerate the implementation of its over \$200 million Santa Felicia Safety Improvement Program.

PROJECT BENEFITS

- Supports planning and design efforts for critical water infrastructure modernization project.
- Provides funding to accelerate design and planning while establishing a long-term commitment to finance future construction.
- Saves the United Water Conservation District approximately \$5 million by financing with a WIFIA loan.



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