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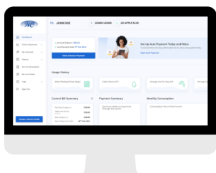
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Cayman Brac Pipeline Reaches Spot Bay

Wednesday, 9 April, marked a major milestone for Water Authority and its operations in Cayman Brac, as the pipeline extension project reached the end of Spot Bay Road. This achievement means that 70% of Cayman Brac residents have access to safe, reliable and affordable piped water.

The pipeline extension project began in 2013, and the Authority has invested over \$8.5 M since its inception.

To celebrate, the Authority hosted a special public event at the end of Spot Bay Road. The Authority's Director and Board Chairman shared remarks at the event, as did the Premier, the Hon. Juliana O'Connor-Connelly.



In her remarks, the Director, Dr Gelia Frederick van-Gendren, gave special recognition to the Authority's Cayman Brac New Works crew, who did the pipelaying work for the extension project. Andrew Ebanks, a heavy equipment operator on the team who has worked on the project since Phase 1, was given the honor of turning on the tap of the first water connection on the pipeline.

While the Authority celebrates this milestone, it is also working toward long-term development plans in the Sister Islands, which include extending the water distribution network to the southern side of Cayman Brac and on the bluff, as well as building a new Reverse Osmosis Plant on the bluff and a containerised plant in Little Cayman.



Director's Message

We are thrilled to share about a major milestone for the Water Authority, and the Cayman Brac community - the Authority's mainline has now reached Spot Bay. This is a significant achievement that opens access to potable piped water to even more people on the Sister Island. You can learn more about this achievement in the story above.

The Authority is also excited to offer a new educational resource for primary school-aged children. The activity booklet focuses on the subject of water and the work of the Water Authority. We encourage teachers and parents to visit our website to access this

free resource.

In this issue of "What's on Tap" we also spotlight our recent Annual Staff Meeting. This was a rare opportunity to bring the majority of our staff together to celebrate our achievements and look to the future.

I'd also like to take a moment to remind all our customers of the coming 2025 Atlantic Hurricane Season. We encourage everyone to begin their preparations now. Throughout the hurricane season the Authority will share tips and advice to help you prepare your home and family for the storm season.

— Dr. Frederick-van Genderen

OUR COMMITMENT to you...

The Water Authority was established in 1983 as a statutory body responsible for supplying pure, wholesome and affordable drinking water to the people of the Cayman Islands. The Authority is also responsible for the proper treatment of wastewater and for the protection of the fresh groundwater lenses that exist throughout the Cayman Islands.



KNOWLEDGE ZONE

BE PREPARED

The Atlantic Hurricane Season will begin on 1 June. Now is the time to prepare.

Here are actions you can take now to get

your family, home and business ready:

- Trim or remove trees and shrubs close to your water pipes and meter box.
- Create an emergency plan and stock up on emergency supplies, including potable and non-potable water.
- Install a shut-off valve after the meter if you do not have one.
- If you have a shut-off valve, test it regularly, and if it is not working correctly, have it repaired or replaced.
- Locate your sewer cleanout lid and clear away vegetation or obstructions.
- Install a sewage backflow prevention device if you do not have one.

HR Briefs

Welcome:

- **Jacob Kinkade**
Operations Manager—
Wastewater
- **Therisa Bush**
Human Resources
Administrator
- **James Gillies**
Engineer

Appointments/ Promotions:

- **Yolita Phillips**
Chief HR Officer
(Designate)
- **Erika Skim**
Laboratory Technician 2

WAC Employees Gather for Annual Staff Meeting



On 28 March, the Water Authority held its Annual Staff Meeting.

The theme "Stronger Together with Every Drop" spotlighted the importance each employee plays in accomplishing the Authority's mission and how their contribution makes the Authority stronger.

Staff participated in a variety of team-building activities. In addition, staff members were honoured for their contributions to the Authority, in the areas of Innovation/Creativity, Streamlining/Efficiency, Project Leadership, Positive Impact, Performance Excellence and Long Service.

A panel of staff members who have been involved in or are leading major projects, both external and internal, provided updates on the projects. The Authority's Director also gave remarks at the event, focusing on efforts to improve employee engagement.

Teaching Young Students About Water

Primary school-aged students have access to a fun way to learn about water, thanks to the Water Authority's newly launched Children's Activity Booklet.

The booklet was commissioned as part of the Authority's 40th Anniversary celebration in 2023. Designed by local artist Martina Jackson, the booklet features different activity pages that focus

on water and the work of the Authority.

Pages include the water cycle, water conservation, understanding the reverse osmosis process, groundwater protection and highlighting water workers.

The booklet can be found on the [Educational Materials page of the Water Authority's website](#).

