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Well Replacement Project Taking Place Near 12th Ave., Oklahoma St.

A Tucson Water well used in groundwater cleanup near 12th Ave. and Oklahoma St. (just north of Irvington Rd.) is being replaced. The project will temporarily increase noise activity in the area and involve intermittent water discharge onto South 12th Ave.

The well, one of nine that are part of the Tucson Airport Remediation Project (TARP) Superfund Site, is showing signs of failing. All nine wells pump groundwater contaminated with TCE and 1,4-dioxane to Tucson Water treatment facilities near I-19 and Irvington Rd.

Contractor crews have been onsite prepping the area and installing walls to block sound and lighting. The drill rig and compressor will operate 24 hours a day for approximately 12 days, tentatively beginning on Friday, February 12. Any water discharged by the generator-operated pump will first be processed through an air-stripping tower onsite to remove contaminants. Traffic on S. 12th Ave., north of Irvington Rd., may be affected at times when water is discharged. Every effort is being made to minimize disruption to nearby residents and neighborhoods.

A notice of this project, with details in English and in Spanish, as well as information on Tucson Water's efforts to remove levels of TARP-area contaminants, is online at <https://www.tucsonaz.gov/water/aop>.



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