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Media Invited to Hannah Mason Pump Station Dedication

Energy-efficient pumps reduce Water Bureau energy costs

The media is invited to the Hannah Mason Pump Station dedication from 10 to 11 a.m. Thursday, June 8 at Willamette Park, 6805 S.W. Macadam Ave, Area A. The event features a site tour and remarks by City Commissioners Nick Fish and Amanda Fritz, neighbors, and a descendant of the Masons' business partner. The event is held within the pump station and a covered picnic area.

Hannah Mason Pump Station puts physics and new technology to work to cut energy costs. The Portland Water Bureau replaced its second oldest pump station with this one, which supplies water to much of Southwest Portland, including residential and business customers, 10 Portland public schools, Portland Community College Sylvania Campus and more than 30 parks. The pump station can also supply water to the Lake Grove and Palatine Hill water districts.

In March, Energy Trust of Oregon [provided an incentive of nearly \\$500,000](#) for this project. The pump station will also provide customers with ongoing savings. By combining energy-efficient pumps, innovative design, and gravity, the bureau is cutting annual energy costs by nearly \$163,000 and achieving goals outlined in the City of Portland's Climate Action Plan.

"Making pumping more energy efficient is a strategic objective for the Water Bureau. The new Hannah Mason Pump Station supports a citywide goal of reducing energy use by two percent," said Portland Water Bureau Administrator Mike Stuhr.

Hannah Mason Pump Station is the first Water Bureau infrastructure project named after a woman. A philanthropist, landowner, and widow of Portland Mayor William S. Mason, Mrs. Mason owned most of the land on which Willamette Park sits today.