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GWA SURPASSES 90 WELL GOAL, ISLANDWIDE RESTORATION WORK CONTINUES

MANGILAO, Guam — Guam Waterworks Authority (GWA) has surpassed its goal to bring 90 wells into operation, with 94 wells currently in operation as of June 14, according to GWA General Manager Miguel C. Bordallo.

Ninety wells was the milestone set by GWA to meet the water production requirements to start stabilizing the system and filling the reservoirs.

“Immediately after Typhoon Mawar, only 60 of our 94 operational wells were producing water, leading to a sharp decline in the amount of water we could supply throughout the island,” said Bordallo. “We are proud to report that because of our hardworking GWA crews, along with assistance from Guam Power Authority and our contractors, we are currently operating with 94 of our wells producing 33 million gallons daily, which is approximately 97 percent of pre-storm production and have returned 92% of GWA customers to service.”

While bringing at least 90 wells online is a major milestone in post-storm recovery, restoration for GWA customers may not be instant, and Bordallo acknowledges there is still work to be done to restore water service to all residents and businesses.

“We have already begun work on the next step of filling our reservoirs, which is critical to both producing adequate pressure to push water to areas that are yet to be restored, and to providing consistent water service to areas still experiencing intermittent water service,” said Bordallo. “We would like to remind the public that water conservation is critical to filling the reservoirs. If you do have water service, use only what you need, not all you can get from our system.”

Gov. Leon Guerrero recently announced a State of Emergency for Guam’s water supply, prohibiting GWA water use for the washing of motor vehicles, windows, streets, sidewalks or buildings, or for the irrigation or watering of ornamental plants, shrubs, flowers, lawns and golf courses.

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