



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Media Contact:  
Chuck Finnie  
(510) 583-4344  
[pio@hayward-ca.gov](mailto:pio@hayward-ca.gov)

## Hayward Wastewater Collection System honored for exceptional achievement

*Recognition is second in three years from California Water  
Environment Association*

**HAYWARD, Calif.**, April 19, 2018—The City of Hayward’s Wastewater Collection System has been recognized for the second time in three years for exceptional achievement within the wastewater field by the California Water Environment Association (CWEA).

At the association’s annual Bay Area awards dinner in January, the CWEA honored Hayward with the San Francisco Bay Section 2017 Collection System of the Year in the medium-size system category. Hayward received the same award in 2015.

The Hayward Collection System division is comprised of nine employees who maintain and service over 320 miles of sewer pipeline. They use hydro cleaning, pipeline video inspection and other specialized equipment to inspect, identify and repair system segments requiring attention.

“This proactive service culture is proving very successful, and our staff is to be commended,” said Alex Ameri, Hayward Director of Utilities and Environmental Services.

Occasional Sanitary System Overflows (SSOs) are not uncommon in sewer systems. However, in 2017, Hayward experienced not a single SSO.

CWEA is nonprofit industry association dedicated to the educational development of wastewater professionals. Its annual awards recognize exemplary wastewater professionals and agencies regionally and statewide.