



## **International Boundary and Water Commission United States Section**

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### **CONTRACT AWARDED FOR USIBWC ENTERPRISE ASSET MANAGEMENT PROGRAM PHASE I**

The United States Section of the International Boundary and Water Commission (USIBWC) launched their new Enterprise Asset Management Program by awarding a contract for the first of the project's four phases.

This contract will assist in the design, development, and implementation of an enterprise asset management (EAM) system for the USIBWC along the U.S.-Mexico border in the United States.

“This program is a systematic assessment that will lead to preventive maintenance of our assets to reduce downtime, boost effectiveness, and lower work costs,” USIBWC Commissioner Dr. Maria-Elena Giner said. “This will also help improve our budget process and show accountability for the use of funds needed to improve current operations and maintenance.”

Phase I includes the start-up, testing, and implementation of an EAM software system, recommendations to our USIBWC pilot asset management project, which includes permanent operating equipment and gaging stations, and development of a wastewater treatment asset management plan for the agency's two plants in San Ysidro, California, and Nogales Arizona.

Future phases, subject to availability of funds and satisfactory performance, will include the following USIBWC assets:

Phase 2: Storage Dams and Hydropower Plants

Phase 3: Diversion Dams and Levees

Phase 4: Bridges, Buildings, and Monuments.

This project contributes towards the agency's goal of implementing a process that increases asset reliability, inventory life cycles, and capital planning, while creating a safe environment for employees.

The contract for Phase I was awarded on December 21, 2023, to LH&J/Arcadis Joint Venture, L.L.P, for \$2.1 million, with a tentative duration of 19 months.

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