

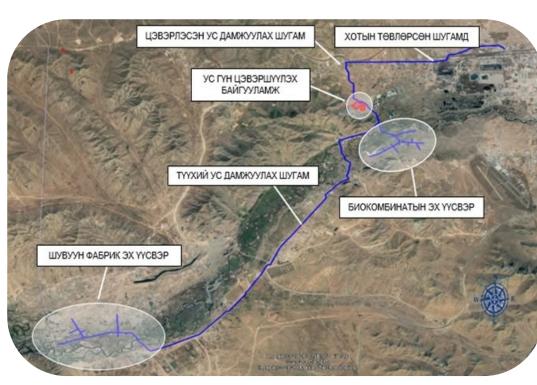
WATER NEWS IN BRIEF



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PREPARATION FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ULAANBAATAR WATER SUPPLY IS COMPLETED



A \$ 350 million grant from the United States Millennium Challenge Corporation under the Mongolia Water Compact will be used to build a Western water supply source in Ulaanbaatar, as well as a Wastewater recycling plant to use treated water from the Central wastewater treatment plant for industrial purpose. The Compact entered into force on March 31, 2021, and is eligible for funding as the conditions precedent had been met in full by the Government of Mongolia.

The Downstream Wells Activity which will be implemented in the Western region of Ulaanbaatar is projected to generate up to 50 million m3 annually. The new Western water supply source will not only provide for Tuul, Bio, Jargalant village, Takhilt of the

Songinokhairkhan, Bayangol but also the planned settlements, namely, Shine zuun mod and the Maidar city. In addition, the wastewater recycling plant will recycle up to 18 million m3 of water per year and supply it to the Combined Heating Power Plant 3 and 4 for technical use. This will reduce the demand for groundwater supplied to the power plants and protect freshwater resources.

Source: MCA-Mongolia

TERMS OF REFERENCE OF KINDERGARTEN AND DORMITORY SANITATION FACILITIES IN 54 SOUMS DEVELOPED



To eliminate the gap between urban and rural learning environments for children and create comfortable learning conditions, 819 secondary schools, kindergartens and dormitories will be equipped with modern sanitation facilities. Erdenet Mining Corporation is investing a total of 100 billion MNT to finance the project in 2021 and 2022 within the framework of social responsibility. The bidding process will be based on a method selected by the Ministry of Education and Science. It is planned to renovate the sanitary facilities of 450 buildings in 101 soums of 16 aimags. Public Utilities and Engineering Infrastructure Policy Implementation Department under the Ministry of Construction and Urban Development has developed a "Terms of Reference" for the sanitation facility construction works in kindergartens and

dormitories of 54 soums in 16 aimags. The terms of reference have been approved by the local governor. A preliminary budget has been prepared and submitted to the Ministry of Education and Science.

Source: Ministry of Construction and Urban Development

BEAVER INTRODUCED INTO THE TUUL RIVER BASIN HAD TWIN KITS



The Central Asian beaver breeding and reintroduction into the Tuul River, a comprehensive measure to reduce the degradation of the Tuul River ecosystem and restore the ecological condition of the river basin, is in its ninth year since 2012. A total of 57 beavers have been introduced to the headwaters of the Tuul River basin, Zaan, and Terelj rivers, and the results are being monitored. For the first time, four kits were born from a beaver growing at the Beaver Breeding and Introduction Center of the Capital City Department of Nature and Environment. This is a rare occurrence and is the result of favorable food and living conditions. The so-called "water engineer" beaver maintains the natural balance of its habitat

by raising the river's water level.

Source: gogo.mn

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- . USUG is providing 5 additional water trucks to provide water to people living in isolation due to the pandemic. Source: Tovch .mn
- B.Boldbaatar, National Consulting Engineer: "... Based on previous studies, new discoveries have been made that it is possible to build reservoirs in 33 locations of ten major rivers' basins. The reservoir can be used for water supply, power generation, irrigation and tourism..." Source: Udriin sonin (dnn.mn)

WATER RELATED VIRTUAL CONFERENCE

- The International Water Association is organizing the World Water Congress virtually for the first time from May 24 to June 4, 2021. The conference will cover all aspects of the water sector under six topics, including water management, wastewater treatment and resource recovery, drinking water and recycled water use for drinking, urban planning and operation of water supply and sewerage systems, stakeholder relations, cooperation, and partnerships, water resources and large-scale water resources management. You can register for the conference by following this link, and you can view the detailed conference program here. Source: International Water Association
- Singapore International Water Week, one of the world's largest urban water management events, will be held online from June 22 to July 2, 2021. <u>Source: SIWW</u>

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