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## DUPAGE WATER COMMISSION PROJECT ACKNOWLEDGED WITH REGIONAL AWARD

*DWC's Lake Michigan Water Supply Project with the Village of Bartlett Celebrated*



DuPage Water Commission Chairman Jim Zay and Staff along with key project personnel from the Village of Bartlett, Greeley & Hansen, AECOM, JJ Henderson, and Benchmark Construction

**January 29, 2020 (Bartlett, IL)**—Last week, the Chicago Metro Chapter of the American Public Works Association (APWA) recognized the Lake Michigan Water Supply Project as its 2020 Environmental Project of the Year at the APWA Suburban Branch Awards Luncheon. The project transitioned the Village of Bartlett smoothly from an Elgin water supply to Lake Michigan water provided by the DuPage Water Commission (DWC) and was a model in partnership.

“Providing a safe, reliable, affordable, and sustainable water supply is a critical function of municipal government,” read APWA’s presentation on the award. “Bartlett’s conversation to Lake Michigan water from [the] DuPage Water Commission assures that the Village’s water supply is from one of the world’s premiere water supplier sources.”

The \$20 million project was completed on-time and 17% under the Village’s initial budgeting estimates.



DWC was selected in 2016 by unanimous vote of the Village Board to be Bartlett's water supplier. This began the two-and-a-half-year long design, financing, implementation and construction process. Three major elements of the project included the construction and use of both a 5-mile, 30-inch water transmission main from DWC's standpipe in Roselle to Bartlett, a metering station, and a receiving station in Bartlett, located at the Village's Public Works Site.

Through the hard work and commitment of many strategic partners, the valves were turned officially on May 16, 2019, introducing Lake Michigan water to all Bartlett's 41,000 residents.

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*The DuPage Water Commission (DWC) is the second largest water supply system in the State of Illinois, providing potable water to 27 DuPage County municipalities and agencies. DWC operates a 185 MGD pumping station and 30 MG reservoir at its main facility in Elmhurst, Illinois. From there, the water flows to the member communities through a distribution system that includes 5 standpipes, 79 metering stations, 207 miles of pipeline, and over 650 valves.*