

## Published April 5th, 2017 EBMUD's Orinda Water Treatment Plant back on line this month

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The EBMUD Orinda Water Treatment Plant is on schedule to reopen between April 10-20. However, after the plant comes back on line, it will take five to 10 days before Orinda residents notice the improvement in the water, according to EBMUD Community Affairs Representative Kathryn Horn. That is because it will take that long for the water from the plant to reach homes.

The most important work performed was the installation of a bifurcation valve. The valve, which is underground, allows EMBUD to split the plant in order to perform repairs on one side while the other side continues to operate. To do maintenance it was necessary to shut down the entire plant, but in the future, that won't be necessary, Horn explained.

Other work on the plant included upgrading the electrical system and the chemical building. New filter underdrains replaced old ones, and EBMUD also worked on the water tank.

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