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**NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK
CELEBRATES DEDICATED EMPLOYEES**

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GLENDALÉ, Ariz. – Where does your garbage go when it leaves your curb? Who delivers the water that comes out of your faucet? These and more than a dozen other services are carried out by Glendale’s Public Works Departments.

The week of May 16 - 22 marks the national observance of Public Works Week. Glendale’s Public Works Group includes more than 500 employees from the following departments: Field Operations, Transportation, Utilities and Environmental Resources.

As summer approaches with triple-digit temperatures, these employees have the hottest jobs and are out there every day keeping the city in top shape. This week brings awareness to the many men and women who work to provide the utmost quality and customer service 24-hours-a-day.

For a quick look at what Glendale’s Public Works Departments do, check out these fast facts:

- The Field Operations Department maintains 736 miles of streets, disposes of 250,000 tons of trash and manages 2 million square feet of municipal buildings and properties
- The Transportation Department is responsible for 100,000 traffic and street signs, roadway markings for more than 500 miles of

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streets and keeping 19,499 lights glowing

- The Utilities Department takes care of 1,600 miles of water and sewer pipelines and reads more than 61,000 meters monthly
- The Environmental Resources Department collects and analyzes more than 14,000 samples of water annually to ensure regulatory agencies and residents that Glendale's water is clear, clean and safe to use
- The Water Conservation Office works with water customers daily to help them live a lifestyle that uses less water, reducing consumption in the home by 20 percent

Glendale is proud to recognize its Public Works employees during National Public Works Week.

For more information on the public works services, visit www.glendaleaz.com/publicworks.

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