

The Southern Voice

"To provide exceptional underground water and wastewater infrastructure solutions through technical excellence, unwavering safety standards, and environmental stewardship. A commitment to building and maintaining vital utility systems that support sustainable communities while delivering superior value to our clients, employees, and stakeholders"



Chairman's Monthly Update

Dear Valued Team Members and Stakeholders,

As we close another productive month at Southern Underground, I am pleased to share some key developments and reflections on our continued journey in the public works water and wastewater infrastructure sector. In addition, our private work continues to show significant growth.

Project Highlights

This month marked significant progress on our municipal pump station expansion in Broward and Dade County. Despite challenging weather conditions, our crews have maintained the schedule and even accelerated certain phases of construction. Our work in the public work sector continues to receive positive feedback from clients, with our environmental impact mitigation strategies being particularly commended in a positive note. This project represents our commitment to developing sustainable water solutions for communities facing increasing scarcity challenges.

Expansion News

I'm thrilled to announce that our new office and equipment yard in Pompano Beach, Florida will be opening next quarter. This strategic expansion will strengthen our presence in the Southeast market and enhance our ability to serve municipal and industrial clients throughout Florida. The facility will feature state-of-the-art training spaces and expanded equipment capacity to support our growing operations in the region.

Industry Developments

The recent federal infrastructure funding announcement brings promising opportunities for our sector. With \$3.5 billion allocated specifically for water and wastewater improvements nationwide, as we are well-positioned to support municipalities in upgrading aging systems. Our business development team is already engaging with key stakeholders to ensure we can contribute our expertise where it's most needed.

Team Recognition

I'd like to extend special recognition to our pump station team, who's redesign of the "Station 61" pumping station for the City of Pompano Beach resulting in a superior layout operating system while reducing operational costs. This exemplifies the innovation and practical problem-solving that defines our company culture. Additionally, our safety record continues to excel, with another month of zero reportable incidents across all project sites. This achievement reflects everyone's dedication to our "Safety First" principles.

Looking Ahead

As we move forward, we remain focused on our strategic goals of expanding our design-build capabilities and strengthening our position in the water reuse market. Water infrastructure remains critical to community health and economic development, and I'm proud of the essential role we play in this sector. The challenges of aging infrastructure, climate changes impacts, and increasing regulatory requirements create opportunities for us to demonstrate our expertise and commitment to excellence.

Thank you for your continued dedication and hard work. As always, my door remains open for your insights and suggestions.

Belseri Comerford

Chairman & CEO

Southern Underground Industries & its subsidiaries

JULY FEATURED EMPLOYEES

Julio Garcia



Role: Pipe Specialist/Pipe Diver

Fun Fact: Julio enjoys fishing, playing soccer, watching tv on his time off.

Javier Plascencia



Role: Pipelayer

Fun Fact: Javier is a devoted father! He likes to spend time with his family and take them to soccer games!

Derek Peters



Role: Project Manager

Fun Fact: Derek loves espresso coffee and spending time with his daughter.



UPCOMING EVENTS

- July 4th Federal Holiday
- Safety bingo starts in August (see page 4 for details)

July Birthdays:

Burgos Erisdel – July
Rogelio Ortega – July

Work Anniversaries:

Nicole Cangelosi – 1 year

ON GOING JOBS

- City of Hallandale Lift Station #3
- City of Hallandale Lift Station #6
- City of North Miami Beach Eastern Shores
- City of Fort Lauderdale Annual Repairs
- City of North Miami Beach Bunche Park
- City of North Miami Washington Park
- City of Dania Beach Lift Station #12
- City of Fort Lauderdale Rehab LS A-20 & B4

DIRECT FROM THE SOURCE

Let our fellow workers know how to have their voices heard in the new Company newsletter!

“The company has a very heavy bid schedule for the month of July. We are working very diligently to make sure we all have a full work schedule.”
-Mike Sweeney

BIG THANK YOU TO
MIKE SWEENEY FOR
BEING THE FIRST
SOUTHERN VOICE!

“A journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step.”

-Lao Tzu

Recent Highlights



City of Hallandale Beach Hallandale Lift Station No. 3

We are currently installing the new conduits and electrical wiring. We are approximately 80% complete and anticipate system startup in the upcoming weeks.



City of Hallandale Pump Station No. 6

We currently have installed the temporary by-pass pumps and electrical drops and completed all fusing of the HDPE pipe, set the by-pass vault and tapped the existing force main. This Wednesday the 3rd. of July approx. 10:30 pm SUI will install live the new 20" PV valve to complete the scope of work for the by-pass system.



City of North Miami Beach Eastern Shores

Job is complete, final walkthrough this week and final paperwork remaining



City of North Miami Beach Bunche Park

All the watermain is installed pending health department clearance to make all final connections pending mill and overlay and final restoration



City of Fort Lauderdale Annual Emergency Repairs

The scope of work includes multiple repairs to water mains, force mains, drainage systems, and sanitary sewer infrastructure within the municipal boundaries of the City of Fort Lauderdale



City of North Miami Beach Washington Park pump station and Force main

Installation of pumping units and associated discharge piping and Integration of all mechanical components with structural elements. Also, Restoration of the site including Neal Park to its original or improved condition, including surface grading, paving, and landscaping as required.

SAFETY

OSHA: Be mindful of the rules we work in a hazardous environment make safety our # 1 priority

Be mindful of your surroundings:

- Trench safety
- Ladders
- Confined spaces permitting
- Overhead wires

If anyone needs a new helmet, vest, glasses or anything, please reach out to Nicole

“Embrace the Change”

Safety Bingo

Employees play using safety bingo cards, aiming to black out five numbers in a row (horizontal, vertical, or diagonal).

A number is drawn daily and posted in a visible area, such as a lunchroom or bulletin board.

The game ends for a team when a workplace injury occurs, emphasizing the importance of collaboration and safe practices. If you receive Bingo 1st then the winner receives a gift card.

Every day that we do not have an injury we will call a number from the bingo ball adding \$2.00 dollars each day until we get Bingo.

Every employee will receive a Bingo card to play and help keep the team safe.



Wellness Corner:

Stay Hydrated This Summer!

As the Florida heat turns up, don't forget to stay cool and hydrated.

💧 Tips to Beat the Heat:

Drink consistently – Don't wait until you're thirsty. Aim for at least 6–8 glasses of water a day.

Add some flavor – Lemon, cucumber, mint, or berries can make hydration feel like a treat.

Snack smart – Watermelon, cucumbers, oranges, and lettuce help hydrate while keeping you full.

Let's stay safe, healthy, and ready to roll! 🚧 🧐

Have something you'd like to share for next month's issue? Contact Nicole at Nicolec@Southernundergroundindustries.com.

OUR NEXT AREAS OF FOCUS

- Pump Stations A 20 & Pump Station B4
\$ 8,514,415.00
- Emergency Repairs Fort Lauderdale
\$1,500,000.00
- Norwood WTP Improvements Phase 2 raw water transmission main & wellhead,
\$4,807,016.00
- Bell Gardens FM Replacement
\$3,367,000.00
- Master Pump Station 4 (Myrtle Grove) FM Replacement
\$3,000,018.00
- City of Hallandale Beach LS 10,11,15
\$6,666,449.00