



The city government unveiled this Iztapalapa water treatment plant on Tuesday.

D.F. purification plant open

Mexico City Mayor Marcelo Ebrard unveiled a water purification plant Tuesday which aims to improve the delivery of potable water to 300,000 residents in Iztapalapa.

The site in Iztapalapa – where tap service is spotty at best – is the first of four new plants scheduled to open this year to purify water pumped from city wells, Ebrard said.

The plant will increase water supply to Iztapalapa during the dry season and help the borough sustain itself through a suspension in potable water

service from the Cutzama-la water system starting Saturday, Ebrard said.

The new purification sites – two more of which will open in the coming days – will allow the borough to use water from a separate source of rivers known as the Chalco water system.

On Tuesday, Ebrard also pledged not to raise tap water costs this year, despite warnings from the National Water Commission, or **Conagua**, that water costs have increased.

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