Overview of the El Paso Kay Bailey Hutchison Desalination Plant

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Kay Bailey Hutchison Desalination Plant

Opened in 2007 to deal with:

- Drought
- Emergency situations
- Growth
- Brackish water intrusion
Highlights of 10 year Plant Operation

- Typical Operation- 8 MGD

- February 7, 2011- Big Freeze-22 MGD to help restore water supply in EP.

- Drought Conditions - May 2012, No surface water in May- 19 consecutive days of production over 20 MGD
Highlights of 10 year Plant Operation

- Peak Annual Production was 2017 (8187 acre-feet).
- Over 53,000 acre-feet of finished water produced in 10 years.
- Enviro Water Minerals Partnership
Future Planning

- Plant production to increase
- Continued to be used in drought relief and interruption of supply
- Planning for additional 8 MGD of plant capacity
Questions