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Century-old waterworks sites demolished
Request the Government to make every effort to conserve existing
waterworks sites in the Central and Western District

Reply from the Water Services Department:

Relevant information concerning service reservoirs tabulated is as follows:

Service Reservoir	Year of Construction	Year with Major Modification/ Demolition works	Major Water Supply Zone
(1) Albany Fresh Water Service Reservoir	Estimated to be 1889	Construction of a roof cover to the service reservoir in 1950s	Mid-levels, Central and Sheung Wan areas
(2) Magazine Gap Road Fresh Water Service Reservoir	1901	The decommissioned Magazine Gap Road Fresh Water Service Reservoir was demolished in 2010 to construct a new salt water service reservoir at the same site.	Not applicable
(3) Gardens Fresh Water Service Reservoir	1932	In operation	Admiralty and Central areas
(4) Conduit Road Fresh Water Service Reservoir	1962	In operation	Mid-levels
(5) Conduit Road Salt Water Tank	1962	Decommissioned in 1995, not demolished	Not applicable
(6) Hatton Road Fresh Water Service Reservoir	1908	The old Hatton Road Fresh Water Service Reservoir was demolished in 2011 to construct a new service reservoir at the same site.	Mid-levels

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(7) Pok Fu Lam No.2 Fresh Water Service Reservoir	1978	In operation	Pok Fu Lam
(8) Western Fresh Water Service Reservoir	1918	To accommodate the campus expansion of the University of Hong Kong, the new Western Fresh Water Service Reservoir and Western No.2 Fresh Water Service Reservoir were relocated adjacent to the old Western Fresh Water Service Reservoir in 2009	Sai Ying Pun and Sheung Wan areas
(9) Western No.2 Fresh Water Service Reservoir	2009	In operation	Sai Ying Pun and Sheung Wan areas
(10) Mount Davis Fresh Water Primary Service Reservoir	1966	In operation	Southern District
(11) Kennedy Town Fresh Water Service Reservoir	1966	In operation	Kennedy Town area
(12) Underneath Caine Road Garden (Hidden Service Reservoir)	No information	No information	Not applicable

The Water Supplies Department (WSD) has consulted the Antiquities and

Monuments Office (AMO) in regard to the demolition project of Magazine Gap Road Fresh Water Service Reservoir. AMO had no objection to the project. WSD has also consulted AMO in regard to the demolition of old Hatton Road Fresh Water Service Reservoir. AMO acknowledged that the leakage problem could not be resolved by undertaking maintenance works and that WSD proposed retaining the red bricks making up two of the columns and the connected arch-shape roof of the service reservoir. AMO had no objection to the project.

WSD will closely liaise with AMO and will provide relevant information to AMO to facilitate their assessment as to whether the relevant waterworks installations have historic value.

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