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## Rehabilitation of the Buckleys Water Storage Tank Progresses Smoothly

**ST. JOHN'S, Antigua and Barbuda** – **February 11, 2025...** Minister with responsibility for Public Utilities Hon. Melford Nicholas is satisfied with the ongoing work of the water storage tank in Buckleys.



Minister Nicholas with Project Mechanical Engineer, Bryan Nicholas

At a site visit today (February 11) with Project Mechanical Engineer at APUA Mr. Bryan Nicholas, Minister Nicholas spoke on the continued work to enhance a more reliable water supply to serve the residents of Buckleys, Falmouth, Cobbs Cross, Piccadilly and English Harbour.

The 700,000-gallon storage tank according to Mr. Bryan Nicholas is a testament that APUA is committed to supplying potable water of the highest international standard, and at the same time ensuring long-term sustainability and readiness to meet the continuous growing demands of the communities.

The rehabilitation of the Buckleys Water Storage Tank according to Minister Nicholas is part of an overall US\$40million investment by the Government of Antigua and Barbuda, aimed at ensuring increased water production and delivery across the country.

The tank which operated for over 40 years, went out of commission in 2019 due to corrosion. The rehabilitation work includes, removal of a foot of the base material and replacement of the steel base, to facilitate the installation of cathodic concentric rings, backfilling, welding and painting of the tank.

Work on the rehabilitation of the Buckleys Water Storage Tank according to Mr. Bryan Nicholas is expected to be completed by May this year.