



# Village of Villa Park

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**RE: North Princeton Water Main Improvement Project**

Dear Resident:

Construction of the North Princeton Water Main Improvement Project has progressed to the point that the contractor is ready to begin installing new water services. This work will require the water service to each house to be temporarily shut off for several hours while a connection is made to the new water main. These water service shut-offs will take place Monday through Friday during normal working hours. The exact date and time will vary for each house, and the contractor will provide advance notice before shutting off water service by knocking on the door.

Water service shut-offs may result in debris in the water service lines. It is recommended that residents remove and clean their faucet aerator screens and flush their lines by running a faucet in a bathtub or utility sink for several minutes after water service is restored. If you experience a pressure loss after flushing your line, please contact the Public Works Department at the number below to report the issue.

**LEAD CONCERNS:**

Over the years, health concerns related to domestic water supply lines composed of lead is well documented. This issue has become more prevalent in recent months. Village water mains are generally constructed of ductile or cast iron. Water services and interior plumbing can be constructed of lead, copper, or galvanized pipe. With the age of the buildings in the project area, it is possible that the some water service lines or interior plumbing could contain lead.

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) has stated that it is possible for properties with domestic water supply lines containing lead to experience an increase in the lead concentration in their water for up to several months as a result of construction activities. As such, the IEPA recommends the full replacement of any lead water supply lines. The Village will be replacing all water service lines from the water main to the buffalo box (b-box) as part of this project. Per the Villa Park Municipal Code, the property owner bears the responsibility for the portion of the water service between the b-box and the building, as well as all interior plumbing.

If the Village encounters any lead water services during construction, the Village will notify the affected residents at that time. We strongly recommend that any property owners with lead water services between the b-box and the building replace their portion of the water service. Please contact an Illinois licensed plumber to perform that work or to help you determine whether lead is present in your interior plumbing.

More information on lead in drinking water can be found on the IEPA website at <http://www.epa.illinois.gov/citizens/citizens-information/in-your-home/resources-on-lead/index>.

Any general questions regarding this project should be directed to the Village of Villa Park Engineering Division at (630) 834-8505. We thank you for your continued patience throughout the course of this project.