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**GLWA WORKING TO ISOLATE BREAK ON 36-INCH WATER TRANSMISSION MAIN ON 24 MILE NEAR NORTH AVENUE; BOIL WATER ADVISORY BEING ISSUED FOR FIVE COMMUNITIES**

- *Pressure drop occurred just after 6:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 1, 2023*
- *Out of an abundance of caution, a Boil Water Advisory is being issued for five communities: Chesterfield Township, Lenox Township, Macomb Township, New Haven, and the city of Rochester (Rochester East – GLWA District)*

DETROIT – Just after 6:00 a.m. today, the Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) discovered a leak on a 36-inch water transmission main on 24 Mile near North Avenue. Crews are on-site investigating.

Due to a large drop in water pressure, and out of an abundance of caution, GLWA is issuing a mandatory Boil Water Advisory for the following five communities: Chesterfield Township, Lenox Township, Macomb Township, New Haven, and the city of Rochester (Rochester east, GLWA District).

Under this mandatory Boil Water Advisory, residents should not drink the water without boiling it first. Residents must bring all water to a boil for at least one minute and then let it cool before using. Boiled, bottled, or disinfected water should be used for drinking, making ice, washing dishes, brushing teeth, and preparing food until further notice.

Whenever a water system loses pressure for any significant length of time, precautionary measures are recommended since a loss of pressure can lead to bacterial contamination in the water system. Bacteria are generally not harmful and are common throughout our environment. Boiling water before using it will kill bacteria and other organisms that may be in the water.

The Boil Water Advisory will remain in effect until results from sampling verify the water is safe to drink. GLWA Water Quality will advise the affected communities when the Boil Water Advisory has been lifted.

For more information, please contact Great Lakes Water Authority Water Quality at [waterquality@glwater.org](mailto:waterquality@glwater.org) or by calling (313) 926-8102 or (313) 926-8128. For a Frequently Asked Questions General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from the EPA Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1(800) 426-4791.

Please click [HERE](#) for an FAQ on Boil Water Advisories.

The Authority will continue to provide updates as they become available.

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### **About the Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA)**

The Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) is the provider-of-choice for drinking water services to nearly 40 percent, and efficient and effective wastewater services to nearly 30 percent, of Michigan's population. With the Great Lakes as source water, GLWA is uniquely positioned to provide those it serves with water of unquestionable quality. GLWA also has the capacity to extend its services beyond its 88 member partner communities. As part of its commitment to water affordability, the Authority offers a Water Residential Assistance Program to assist low-income households in participating member communities throughout the system. GLWA's board includes one representative each from Oakland, Macomb, and Wayne counties, two representatives from the city of Detroit, and one appointed by the Michigan governor to represent member partner communities outside of the tri-county area.