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**GLWA CONTINUES EMERGENCY RESPONSE WORK ON
54-INCH WATER TRANSMISSION MAIN IN SOUTHWEST DETROIT**

- *GLWA crews removed water from the site and excavated the area around the break.*
- *Based upon current conditions it is anticipated that an approximately 12-foot section of pipe will need to be removed.*
- *Replacement pipe segment ordered and expected to arrive within the next 24 hours.*

DETROIT – The Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) continues its critical role as a part of the broader emergency response to a break on a 54-inch steel water transmission main at Beard and Rowan in Southwest Detroit that occurred in the early morning hours of Monday, February 17, 2025.

Water has been removed from the site and crews have excavated the area around the break. Based upon current conditions, it is anticipated that an approximately 12-foot section of pipe will need to be removed, and the replacement section of pipe has been ordered. The replacement pipe is expected to be delivered on-site within the next 24-hours.

The timeline for completion of the repair and returning the main to service is expected to be at least two weeks.

More updates will be provided as they become available.

Residents impacted by the water main break can call (313) 774-5261 to be connected to emergency resource through the City of Detroit.

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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.