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**GLWA CONTINUES INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS
ALONG 14 MILE ROAD; IMPLEMENTS ADDITIONAL TRAFFIC CONTROL
RESTRICTION TO ENSURE WORKER SAFETY**

- *Westbound 14 Mile Road, between Welch and Decker Roads, will be restricted to local traffic only (this includes access to businesses and subdivisions along 14 Mile).*
- *New traffic control restriction will be in place from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday.*

DETROIT – The Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) is continuing work on the replacement and renewal of segments of its 42-inch water transmission main along 14 Mile Road in Oakland County. The project is expected to continue through the end of April, with road restoration to be completed by the end of June 2026.

As work progresses on GLWA's critical infrastructure project, it has become increasingly difficult to maintain safety conditions for the crews working along westbound 14 Mile Road. To help ensure workers' safety, new traffic controls are being implemented along 14 Mile Road beginning on Friday, February 13, 2026:

- Westbound 14 Mile Road, between Welch and Decker Roads, will be restricted to local traffic only;
- This local traffic only restriction will be in place from Monday through Saturday from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- A flagger will be stationed at 14 Mile and Welch to direct westbound thru traffic to north Welch, following a detour to Maple Road. The flagger will allow local traffic to continue west to access the businesses and subdivisions along 14 Mile Road.

This new traffic impact is expected to be in place for 2-3 weeks to allow contractors to perform underground pipe replacement work and then restore the roadway.

Please note that 14 Mile Road will remain closed to eastbound traffic from East Walled Lake Drive to Novi Road/Decker Road through the entire duration of the project, which is expected to be completed in April.

The [renewal and replacement work](#) allows GLWA to continue building resiliency in the regional water transmission system after its 42-inch water main unexpectedly failed on 14

Mile Road, west of M5, at the end of September. The work plan for the project was developed in collaboration with GLWA's member partner communities of Commerce Township, Walled Lake, Wixom, and Novi.

GLWA estimates that it will be investing \$12.8 million in this critical infrastructure resiliency work. Within the last year, GLWA also completed a more than \$110 million redundancy loop project in the water transmission system, which allowed restoration of water service to the communities served by the failed main much more quickly than in previous breaks.

Further details of the project can be found online at glwater.org/14milemainproject.

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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 service 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 customer communities outside of the tri-county area.