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**GLWA MAKING PROGRESS ON THE REPAIR OF THE LEAK ON ITS
36-INCH WATER TRANSMISSION MAIN ON
24 MILE ROAD NEAR GRATIOT IN CHESTERFIELD TOWNSHIP**

- *GLWA's proactive inspection of its 36-inch water transmission main in Chesterfield Township identified two 20-foot sections in the early stages of failure*
- *Crews have removed the two failing sections of main and expect to have the new sections installed by Wednesday afternoon*
- *Once the repairs are completed, the main will be filled with water and chlorine for disinfection and flushed for the required 24 hours*
- *Two rounds of water quality testing are expected to begin on Friday*
- *With work continuing around the clock, it is estimated that these new repairs will be completed this week*
- *The boil water advisory for a section of Lenox Township remains in place*

DETROIT – On Tuesday, February 24, 2025, the Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) identified a leak on its 36-inch water transmission main on 24 Mile Road just west of Gratiot Avenue in Chesterfield Township. The leak was created when a utility contractor working in the area struck the main.

GLWA's proactive inspection of the nearly two miles of out of service transmission main identified two 20-foot sections in the early stages of failure.

Since Monday, crews have removed the two failing sections of main and anticipate having the new main sections installed by Wednesday afternoon. Once that is complete, the refilling, disinfection and flushing of the main, which is a 24-hour process, can begin. The final step to put this section of the main back in service includes two rounds of required water quality testing, which occur 24 hours apart.

The boil water advisory for a section of Lenox Township is required to remain in place until after GLWA and its member partner communities (Chesterfield Township, Lenox Township and the Village of New Haven) can return the system in the impacted area to non-emergency operations. Barring any unforeseen circumstances, this is anticipated to be the by the end of next week.

For water pressure and water quality concerns, residents and businesses should contact their municipality's Department of Public Works. More information will be shared as it becomes 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.