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**WATER IS NOW ENTERING NOVI'S LOCAL SYSTEM AND
PRESSURES ARE BEGINNING TO COME UP**

- *Water is currently entering Novi's local system and pressures are coming up*
- *Water pressure returned to Walled Lake late on Saturday, March 7, thanks to an emergency connection from Commerce Township*
- *Boil Water Advisory remains in effect for Walled Lake and Novi; Residents/businesses should follow Boil Water Advisory guidelines as water returns*
- *Crews worked through the night to remove water from the break site and will begin removing damaged pipe this morning*
- *Installation of the new section of steel main expected to be completed on Monday*

DETROIT – At approximately 4:30 a.m. Saturday, March 7, 2026, the Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) discovered a break on a 48-inch water transmission main on 14 Mile Road at Verona, which is between Drake and Farmington Roads in Farmington Hills.

GLWA's successful reconfiguration of its Haggerty Pump Station, and further isolation of sections of the regional system have allowed water to begin entering the city of Novi's local water system and water pressure is coming up. It will take several hours for water pressure to stabilize.

Water flow was returned to Walled Lake late on Saturday, March 7, thanks to an emergency connection with Commerce Township.

Field Service crews and emergency contractors have worked through the night to remove water from the break site and are now digging down to the damaged main so that it can be removed. Removal of the damaged main should be completed today, and it is anticipated that the new steel main should be completed by the end of the day tomorrow.

Both Novi and Walled Lake remain under a boil water advisory until two rounds of water quality testing are completed and come back clear. When water pressure is returned, even if residents are still under a Boil Water Advisory, they should follow the actions noted in this [FAQ on Boil Water Advisories](#).

We know that residents and businesses are anxious to hear the timeline for lifting of the boil water advisories. Those timelines are dependent upon stabilization of pressures in the GLWA and Novi systems, which varies based on user demands. Once pressures have stabilized, flushing and sampling activities that are required to lift the boil water advisory will commence. As soon as timelines are available, they will be communicated.

GLWA will share more information 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.