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BOIL WATER ADVISORIES LIFTED IN WALLED LAKE AND NOVI

- *Second set of water quality tests came back clear, and the boil water advisories have been lifted for Novi and Walled Lake*
- *Work continues to remove and replace 60 additional feet of main west of the original break*
- *Both main replacements are expected to be completed by Sunday, March 15th*

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.

The boil water advisories in Novi and Walled Lake have been lifted.

“I want to thank the residents and businesses of Novi and Walled Lake for their patience as we work to first return water service and then lift the boil water advisories caused by the break on our 14 mile water main,” said Suzanne R. Coffey, Chief Executive Officer, GLWA. “You have not received the service from GLWA that you deserve or require and for that I am sincerely sorry. The number and frequency of breaks on this water main are unacceptable, and we are committed to developing a comprehensive and long-term solution to help avoid future catastrophic failures of this water main.”

The Oakland County Water Resource Commissioners Officer, in conjunction with the Oakland County Health Division, has created a webpage with resources to assist residents and businesses with safely emerging from boil water advisories. Those resources can be found [HERE](#).

GLWA Field Service crews and emergency contractors continue their work to complete repairs at the original break site, as well as the replacement of 60 additional feet of water main west of the break site. This includes 40 additional feet of water main that were identified for replacement after future review of recent inspection data. Both main replacements are expected to be completed by Sunday, March 15, 2026.

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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.