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Dedham-Westwood Water District to Send a Third Mailing Card for the Water Service Line Inventory Project;

Avoid a Door-to-door Inspection by Submitting a Response Before January 31

Dedham, MA – A [third mailing card](#) will be sent out this week to all customers who have not identified their water service line and submitted a survey for the District's [Water Service Line Inventory Project](#).

"I am happy to report that around 22% of our water system's 13,500 service line connections have been inventoried," said Executive Director Blake Lukis. "We're trying to give customers another opportunity to self-report what type of material their water service line made out of before having our staff and a third-party engineering firm conduct inspections."

The Water Service Line Inventory Project is being conducted to comply with the United States Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) and Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) Lead and Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR) regulatory requirements.

The EPA announced the LCRR in December 2021 to better protect communities from exposure to lead in drinking water. The revised rule will require public water suppliers to create a lead service line inventory and replacement schedule by October 2024. In addition, sampling protocols have changed to better meet the science behind how lead and copper enter the water, and there are increased sampling requirements for schools and daycare facilities, which were previously not included in sampling programs.

Tools are available to help customers complete the project, including magnets and mini screwdrivers (while supplies last) at the District's Headquarters, 50 Elm Street, Dedham. As well as an informational guide, video, and more are available on our [website](#).

Door-to-door inspections will begin next month in February. The District plans to send out additional information to the public about the next phase of this project.

Please submit all service line information [online](#) by **January 31, 2024**, to avoid a door-to-door inspection.

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