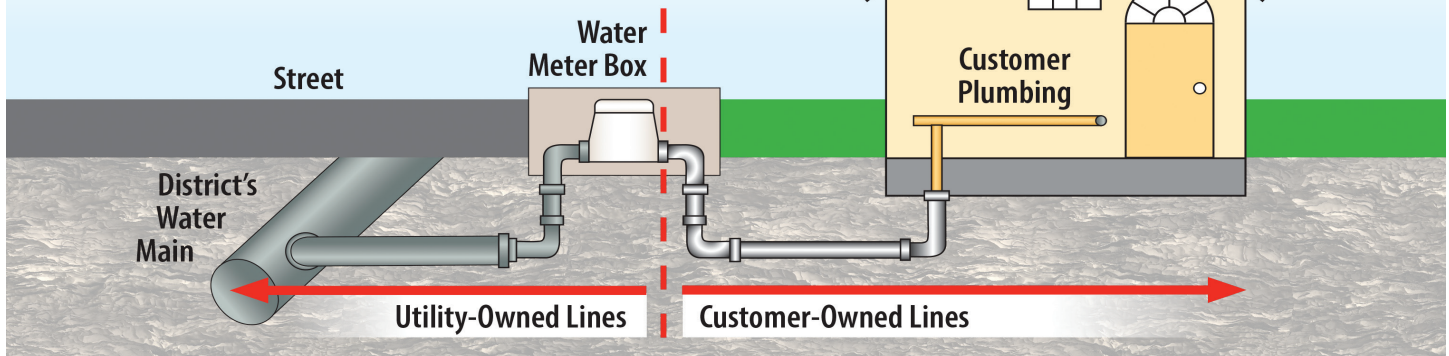


We Need to Inspect Your Home for Potential Lead Service Lines



As reported in our last two newsletters, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Washington state's Department of Health is requiring all public water suppliers to develop an inventory of water services, with the goal of identifying any that may contain lead.

North City Water District is responsible for providing the water service materials that connect the District's Water Main to your Water Meter Box (the Utility-Owned Lines shown above). According to our records, we have never allowed lead to be installed on any portion of the 1-1/2" or smaller service lines located on the Utility-Owned side.

From the Water Meter Box to the residence, the type of material installed was overseen by King County's Building and Plumbing permits, prior to the City's incorporation. Because the County did not save these records, we are unable to identify what type of material may have been used between the Water Meter Box and your home, when the home was first constructed.

In order to comply with federal and state mandates, we need to physically inspect these water lines.

Rather than inspecting every unknown service, Washington State Department of Health provided a statistical modeling approach to identify a subset of residences to be inspected. When we ran this statistical model, your property was randomly selected as one of the physical inspection locations.

Recently, you may have seen our crews conducting a physical inspection of your Water Meter Box. Because they were unable to confirm the type of materials used between the Water Meter and your residence, we need to inspect the water service lines at the point where they come into your home.

Here's What To Expect:

Most water service lines enter the home through the garage or crawl space—these are the two entry points that we need to inspect to confirm which materials were used in the water line that enters your home (the Customer-Owned Lines shown above).

Our inspection should take less than 15 minutes and no service outage will occur. Our crews will wear shoe coverings, and can wear face masks upon request. Provided the water line is visible at the point where it enters your home, we anticipate no need to disturb walls or floors. Upon conclusion of the inspection, we should be able to tell you what type of water line material you have between the Water Meter and your house.

If you prefer to inspect your own lines, please refer to the directions on the back of this flyer.

Here's What We're Requesting of You:

We would like to schedule your water line inspection during the week of:

_____, 2024
Please email us at leadservicelines@northcitywater.org to tell us what day and timeframe works best for you during that week; or you can give us a call at 206.362.8100.

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Self Inspection of Water Service Lines

If scheduling time for us to come inspect your water service lines is not possible, you will need to locate the water service lines yourself and do a "scratch and magnet test" to identify the material. Should you have any questions during the three step process below, feel free to call us at 206.362.8100.

- Step 1:** Locate the point at which your water service line enters your home (usually in the garage or crawl space).
- Step 2:** Use a coin or a screwdriver to scratch the surface of the water line; then confirm with a refrigerator magnet (or any magnet).
- Step 3:** Complete this form and return it by mail to our office, or take a clear photo of the completed form using your smart phone and attach the photo to an email sent to lead servicelines@northcitywater.org

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

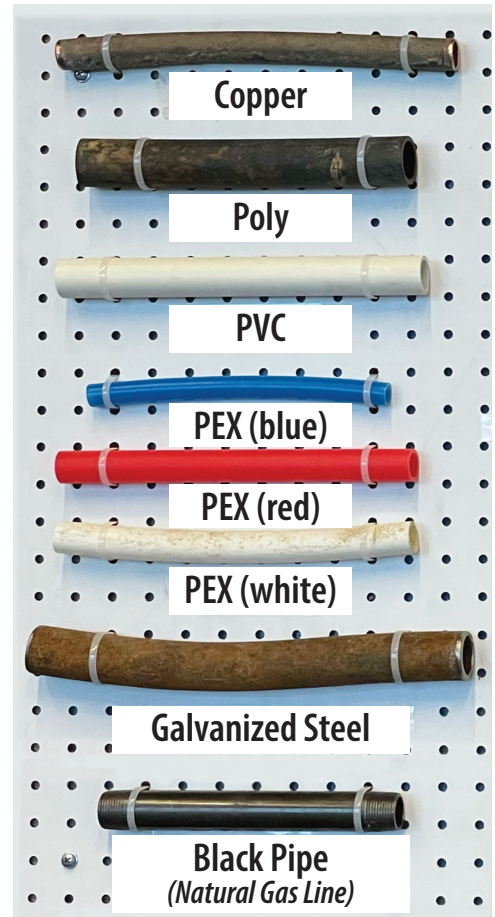
Telephone (if we have questions): _____

Email Address (optional): _____

What material is your current water service line?

- Lead: • When scratched, lead pipe shows shiny metal
 • A lead pipe will NOT hold a magnet
- Galvanized: • When scratched, galvanized pipe shows dull metal
 • A galvanized pipe WILL hold a magnet
- Copper • When scratched, copper pipe looks like a new penny
 • A copper pipe will NOT hold a magnet
- PVC/Plastic/PEX

Comments: _____



Underground Inspection of Water Service Lines

If we're unable to schedule an inspection, and you are unable to self-inspect to confirm water line materials in your garage or crawl space, we'll need to hydro-excavate a small pit on one or both sides of your Water Meter Box to access and investigate the customer-owned water service lines. You will be notified well in advance, and this should not interrupt your water service.

We'll backfill the pit to its prior surface elevation, and either seed grass, or finish with landscape bark or crushed rock to match the surroundings.