



CITY OF HUMBOLDT POLICY #6700

TITLE: Lead Water Line Policy
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1.0 PURPOSE

The purpose of the policy is to outline the expected level of service for properties with lead water line/service connections. The City of Humboldt's objective is the eventual replacement of all lead water lines/services.

2.0 POLICY STATEMENTS

The City shall not install a water meter adaptor or carry out any work whatsoever to any water lines that are constructed of lead or connected to a lead line in any manner unless the owner agrees to assume full responsibility for any expenses or issues that may arise from damage to the lead line.

3.0 RESPONSIBILITY

Upon identification of a lead water service through inspection, utility excavations or other; the City will document, notify the owner of the property and provide information regarding health risks of lead.

The City will attempt to provide the owner and tenants of the property lead water service information annually until the service is fully replaced.

The property owners are responsible to inform themselves of lead risk and take appropriate action to limit their exposure.

Properties discovered with lead services are **strongly recommended to replace their lead water service**. The City will work with the owner to coordinate full replacement including the City portion to optimize cost effectiveness.



The City will replace its portion at no cost to the owner when a water main replacement is scheduled or when reasonable to proceed if work is being completed in the area.

4.0 LEAD REPLACEMENT INCENTIVE

For properties that are known to have, or are found to have a lead service connection on the homeowner's side of the property line after January 1, 2019, the City will provide a payment to the property owner of \$750.00 following proof of the replacement of that lead water service from the property line to the water meter.