

Ridgewood Water Weekly

Week of 1/8/2024

Road Work Ahead

Potential for Traffic Diversion: (Moderate)

RW Distribution Crews will be focusing in on Lead Service Line Replacements on certain busy roads in Glen Rock and Ridgewood over the next two weeks. While no detours are expected, at certain locations, slow downs may occur during high traffic periods. Please review the sections below for affected streets.

Maintenance and Repairs



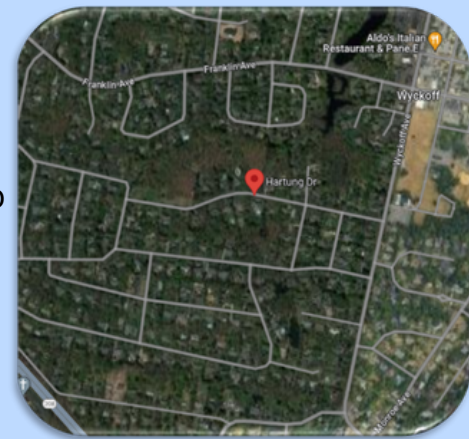
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Lead Service Line (LSL) Replacements: RW Distributions Crews will be working on various main-to-curb LSL replacements this week, focusing on Hillcrest Road, South Pleasant Ave, and Fairmount Road in Ridgewood, as well as Grandview Ave, Concord Ave, and Roxbury Place in Glen Rock this week.

Capital Improvements

Ames PFAS Treatment Facility and Phase 1 Raw Water Mains:

Ridgewood Water is awaiting final approval from the [NJ I-Bank](#) to proceed with the [Bid Opening](#) for the Ames Treatment Facility and the 2nd contract in the Phase 1 Raw Water Mains to connect satellite wells to the treatment facilities. The facility is designed to treat two million gallons of water per day. The Ames treatment facility is one of our big 4 treatment facilities. This facility is being built on Hartung Drive in Wyckoff, and the building is being designed to match the style of existing houses to better blend into the neighborhood.



Important Reminders

2023 4th Quarterly PFAS Public Notice: All Ridgewood Water customers will be receiving the 2023 fourth quarter PFAS public notification by the end of the week. This notice is expected to be mailed out to our residents on January 10th.

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Week of 1/15/2024

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Ridgewood Water Crews at Work

The Metering and Markouts Crew: Every day our staff is working hard to improve our system and meet the demands of our customers as well as ensuring our fellow utilities are able to operate continuously and safely. One of the crews most essential to this collaborative system is our Metering and Markouts Crew. Chris, Joe, and Nate work tirelessly every day to make sure that our underground pipes and service lines are marked clearly with blue paint. These markouts enable contractors and utilities, that share the spaces making up our physical infrastructure, are able to operate efficiently and dig into the ground safely, without endangering our pipes and service lines.

2023 Metering and Markouts by the Numbers

8467 - Markouts Completed
~700 - Average Markouts Per month
~35 - Average Per Day
10-60 mins - Anticipated Time to Complete a Markout, Depending on Complexity
21.4 mins - 2023 Average Time per Markout

**In Addition
The Crew Completed**
~2000 -Scheduled Appointment
~1300 -Meter Changes
~250 -Turn Off/Ons

A Big Thank you to our crew for high marks in both time and efficiency!!!

These statistics allow us to support our service area's hard working contractors and help account for system water loss.

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Capital Improvements

Ames PFAS Treatment Facility: The proposed Ames PFAS Treatment facility has been reviewed by all required entities and the NJDEP has approved Ridgewood Water to proceed with the Bid Opening. This bid is being advertised and the bid proposals will be received and opened during the month of February. This is an important step that moves us closer to bringing this PFAS Treatment Facility into the construction phase. The facility is planned for completion and to be brought into operation in November 2025.

Important Reminders

Lead Service Line Replacement Program: Ridgewood Water is developing a Lead Service Line Replacement Program to help homeowners finance the replacement of the customer side of any existing Lead Service Line. Please keep on the lookout for information regarding this program. We will be reaching out to any customers that have a customer owned lead or potential lead service line in the upcoming months. If you would like to research the status of your property's Service Line Material, you can use our [Service Line Lookup Tool](#), and type in your address into the search bar.

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Week of 1/29/2024

Road Work Ahead

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Capital Improvements

Main Replacement Program: Each year, Ridgewood Water has an annual goal to replace and/or rehabilitate a definitive amount of its water mains. Construction for the 1st contract this year is scheduled to commence in the next week or two. These locations of work include the area near the proposed Ames PFAS Treatment Facility from Hartung Dr. to Carlton Rd. in Wyckoff, and the PSEG Right of Way and Dunham Walking Trail, from Spring Ave. to E. Ridgewood in Ridgewood. RW will be in communication with local residents prior to the work getting started.



Important Reminders

Ridgewood Water Budget: The proposed Ridgewood Water budget for 2024 is currently being reviewed by external water rate experts. In the coming weeks we expect to receive their report and begin the formal budget review process. Below are important dates regarding the formal budget review process:

- Budget presentation - 2/21 at 5:00 pm
- Discussion on 2024 rate proposal – 2/28 at 7:30 pm
- Introduction of Budget and Rate Ordinance – 3/13 at 7:30 pm
- Final Reading and Hearing on Budget and Rate Ordinance – 4/10 at 7:30 pm

These sessions will be held in the Village of Ridgewood at Village Hall 4th Floor, 131 North Maple Avenue, Ridgewood, NJ 07450. Everybody is welcome to come and observe.

Ridgewood Water Weekly

Week of 2/5/2024

Road Work Ahead

Potential for Traffic Diversion: (Moderate)

RW Distribution Crews and Capital Improvement contractors will be working in Midland Park and Wyckoff over the next two weeks. While no detours are expected, at certain locations, slow downs may occur during high traffic periods. Impacted roads include **Wyckoff Ave, Carlton Rd, and Hartung Rd, in Wyckoff**, as well as, **Franklin Ave, and Chestnut St. in Midland Park**. More information on the locations and potential traffic delays due to Capital Improvement Activities can be found below.

Capital Improvements

Dunham Trail and PSE&G Right of Way Main Replacement-Ridgewood: On Monday, February 5th, RW's contractor is set to start working on a main replacement to upsize an existing critical 12" diameter transmission main to a 20" diameter transmission main. The work will begin at Dunham Trail, cross Spring Ave, and run along Brookside Field and the PSE&G right-of-way to just north of E. Ridgewood Avenue. For additional information, please visit our websites' [Construction Activities page](#).

Carlton Rd. and Hartung Dr. Main Replacement-Wyckoff: On Monday, February 5th, RW's contractor is set to start construction activities for the water main replacement of our existing aging infrastructure. Mobilization and construction activities are planned to begin along Hartung Drive and anticipated completion of the overall work is planned by April 15th on Carlton Road and Weymouth Drive. For more information, please visit our websites' [Construction Activities page](#).

Important Reminders

Lead Service Line Replacement (LSLR) Program: RW is developing a plan to help homeowners finance the replacement of the customer side of any existing LSL's. Please keep on the lookout for information regarding this program. While information will be made available to all customers, RW project managers will be contacting the customers with known Lead Service Lines or those who still need an inspection directly. If you would like to research the status of your property's Service Line Material, you can use our [Service Line Lookup Tool](#).





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Week of 2/12/2024

Road Work Ahead

Potential for Traffic Diversion: (Moderate)

RW Distribution Crews and Capital Improvement contractors will be working in Midland Park, Ridgewood, and Wyckoff over the next two weeks. **Detours are expected along Spring ave. in Ridgewood, due to the Dunham Trail work referenced below.** Impacted roads include Wyckoff Ave, Carlton Rd, and Hartung Rd, in Wyckoff, as well as, Franklin Ave, and Chestnut St. in Midland Park, and Spring Ave in Ridgewood.

Capital Improvements

Dunham Trail and PSE&G Right of Way Main Replacement-Ridgewood: RW has commissioned a main replacement project in Ridgewood. The construction began last week along the Dunham Trail and Spring Ave. Work will continue through Brookside Field, terminating just north of E. Ridgewood Avenue. For additional information, please visit our websites' [Construction Activities page](#).

Carlton Rd. and Hartung Dr. Main Replacement-Wyckoff: RW has commissioned a main replacement project in Wyckoff, in the vicinity of the proposed Ames PFAS Treatment Facility. Mobilization and construction activities began last week along Hartung Drive and Carlton Road. The construction is planned in phases, with an anticipated completion date around April 15th, 2024. For more information, please visit our websites' [Construction Activities page](#).

Important Reminders

Ridgewood Water Budget: The Village of Ridgewood's formal budget proceedings will continue throughout the month of February. **Important Dates:** Our budget presentation will occur on 2/21 at 5:00 P.M. Also, the discussion on the 2024 rate proposal will occur on 2/28 at 7:30 P.M. These, as well as all other budget meetings, will be held in the Ridgewood Village Hall 4th floor, 131 Maple Avenue, Ridgewood, NJ 07450. All formal budget meetings are open, and everyone is welcome to attend.

Unauthorized Hydrant Operation: RW continues to receive reports of unauthorized entities operating hydrants without permission. Ridgewood Water's staff or local fire departments should be the only entities operating hydrants, unless a permit has been issued by Ridgewood Water. Unauthorized operation of a hydrant may result in "dirty water" events, by dislodging mineral sediment, or even cross-contamination into the RW distribution system. Please immediately report any unauthorized hydrant operation to our customer service department by calling (201) 670-5520 or emailing CSwater@ridgewoodnj.net.



Ridgewood Water Weekly

Week of 2/19/2024

Road Work Ahead

Potential for Traffic Diversion: (Moderate)

RW Distribution Crews and Capital Improvement contractors will be working in Midland Park, Ridgewood, and Wyckoff over the next two weeks replacing Main-to-Curb Lead Service Lines at various side streets throughout the three towns. In addition, RW has two active water main replacement projects progressing in the service area. (see below for affected roads.)

Important Reminders

Lead Service Line Replacement Program: Ridgewood Water is developing a Lead Service Line Replacement (LSLR) Program to help homeowners finance the replacement of the property owner side of any existing lead service line. RW will be reaching out to all affected property owners, from those with known lead service lines to those with potential/unknown service lines, in the upcoming months. If you would like to research the status of your property's service line, you can use our Service Line Lookup Tool. All lead and galvanized service lines must be replaced by 2031 under "NJ Bill A5343/S3398," P.L.2021, c.183.

Tentative Ordinance Introduction Schedule

The chart below lists the dates of the public council/committee meetings where these ordinances will be introduced for public comment and approval.

Glen Rock	Midland Park	Ridgewood	Wyckoff
<u>First Reading:</u> March 27, 2024	<u>First Reading:</u> March 14, 2024	<u>First Reading:</u> March 13, 2024	<u>First Reading:</u> March 19, 2024
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Ridgewood Water Budget: The Village of Ridgewood's formal budget proceedings will continue throughout the month of February.

Important Dates:

- Budget presentation - 2/21 at 5:00 P.M.
- 2024 Rate Proposal Council Discussion - 2/28 at 7:30 P.M.

Capital Improvements

Water Main Replacement Projects: Ridgewood Water currently has two active Capital Improvement Projects underway to replace sections of the distribution system. Our contractors are working in Wyckoff on Carlton Rd and Hartung Dr., in the vicinity of the proposed Ames PFAS Treatment Facility, and along Spring Ave. in Ridgewood.



Ridgewood Water Weekly

Week of 2/26/2024

Road Work Ahead

Potential for Traffic Diversion: (Light)

RW Distribution Crews and Capital Improvement contractors will be working in Midland Park, Ridgewood, and Wyckoff. Over the next two weeks, Main-to-Curb Lead Service Line replacements will take place at various side streets. In addition, RW has two active water main replacement projects in progress.

Important Reminders

Lead Service Line (LSL) Replacement Program: RW is developing a Lead Service Line Replacement Program to help finance the replacement of property owner LSLs. In the upcoming weeks, affected properties will be receiving a notification letter about the program.

- **Program Adoption by Ordinance**

- Each town will review and adopt ordinances initiating this program by authorizing:
 - a Shared Service Agreement
 - a Special Assessment Ordinance(method of repayment)
- Each town will hold a 1st and 2nd public reading, including a public comment period, prior to ordinance approval. **See chart below for tentative dates.**

- **Responsibility for Cost of Replacement**

- The cost of replacement for the Customer Side LSL is the responsibility of the property owner.
- This program is intended to assist homeowners by offering two options:
 - Finance replacement by Special Assessment.
 - Self-Replace through a private contractor

- **Opt-In Period**

- Upon approval, an Opt-In period will open as a window for homeowners to join the program.
- This program is voluntary, thus each homeowner will have the opportunity to join this program or make the choice to replace their service line on their own.
- If self-replacing, customers will need to coordinate with RW customer service so that the utility-side can be replaced, if necessary, by RW within 45 days.

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Week of 3/4/2024

Road Work Ahead

Potential for Traffic Diversion: (Moderate)

RW Distribution Crews and Capital Improvement contractors will be working in Midland Park, Ridgewood, and Wyckoff. Over the next two weeks, Main-to-Curb Lead Service Line replacements will take place in Midland Park at various side streets, including Franklin, Godwin, Greenwood, Paterson, Ackerman, Bellair, Circle, Alanon, and Avodale. In addition, RW has two active water main replacement projects in progress on Hartung and Carlton in Wyckoff.

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Ridgewood Water is excited to announce the launching of the [LSLR Program Web Page](#). Visit our website to learn more about this program.

What is a Lead Service Line?

How do I know if I have a Lead Service Line?

What part of the Service Line am I responsible for?

Who is eligible for the Lead Service Line Replacement Program?

How much does it cost to replace my Lead Service Line?

When does the LSLR Program start?

How long do I have to decide whether or not to participate?

This program will be initiated through an ordinance approval by each municipality's council/committee. The following chart lists the ordinance readings schedule and public comment session for each municipality.

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Ridgewood Water Weekly

Week of 3/11/2024

Road Work Ahead

Potential for Traffic Diversion: (Moderate)

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Important Reminders

Ridgewood Water's Lead Service Line Replacement program website is live!

For program information and updates, visit our website:
<https://leadreplacement.ridgewoodnj.net/>

Let's work together to deliver high quality water to our community!

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Week of 3/18/2024

Road Work Ahead

Potential for Traffic Diversion: (Moderate)

RW Capital Improvement Contractors will be working in Wyckoff. RW has an active water main replacement project on Carlton Road and Hartung Drive.

Capital Improvements

Ames PFAS Treatment Facility: Last week, the Village of Ridgewood Council awarded the construction contract for the Ames PFAS Treatment Facility to Coppola Services. Construction is planned to commence in Summer 2024, pending the final review by the NJ I-Bank. This marks another important milestone for our PFAS Master Plan as this will be the 2nd facility in the Big 4 Group to be awarded. At this point 5 of the 12 planned facilities are moving into or have completed the construction phase.

Satellite Wells Raw Water Mains-Contract 2: Last week, the Village of Ridgewood Council also awarded the second construction contract for the installation of Raw Water Mains to Underground Utilities. The purpose of this project is to connect satellite wells to the new/proposed PFAS Treatment Facilities. Pending the final review by the NJ I-Bank, construction is planned to commence in April 2024 and be completed by July 2024.

Important Reminders

Ridgewood Water Lead Service Line (LSL) Replacement Program Letters: Ridgewood Water recently sent letters with introductory information to all customers who may have a lead service line. Those who did not receive letters over the past two weeks do not have lead service lines, according to our records. If you did not receive a letter and would like to confirm your service line material, please use our [service line lookup tool](#).

Let's Be Water Wise: Warm weather is coming, and our yards and gardens are greening up. Did you know that water use triples in the summer due to lawn watering? We need your help to cut back on outdoor water use by 20%. Be water wise as you set your irrigation system or get out your hose and sprinkler. Across the state, communities are questioning the old irrigation schedule. Let's show New Jersey how Glen Rock, Midland Park, Ridgewood, and Wyckoff, once again, lead the way by following the two-day watering schedule.

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Week of 3/25/2024

Road Work Ahead

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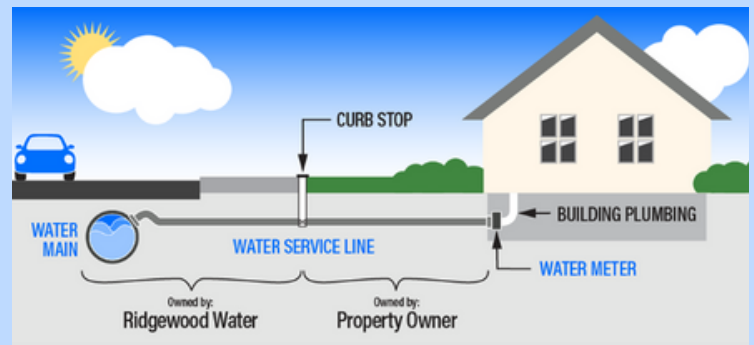
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Current Considerations

- Affected customers were recently sent 2 letters notifying them of the program specifics and related ordinances.
- If you did not receive a letter, our records indicate that you do not have a Lead Service Line.



If you did not receive a letter and would like to confirm your service line material, please use our [service line lookup tool](#).

This program will be initiated through an ordinance approval by each municipality’s council/committee. The following chart lists the ordinance readings schedule and public comment session for each municipality. This week, a first reading will be held in Glen Rock on Wednesday, March 27. Second readings are scheduled to take place for each town in April.

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