

FROM THE DESK OF THE CITY MANAGER

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As you may already know, the Ohio EPA has been updating Lead and Copper rules on Public Water Systems in Ohio. For many years, some of you have already been helping with our need for Lead and Copper sampling. While we do not know of any lead service lines or fixtures owned by the City of Gallipolis and our residual sampling numbers have remained incredibly low, the Ohio EPA is now concerned about what kind of service lines are owned and operated by our customers. This has been an extensive project with the first phase requiring completion this past October. We have partnered with 120water to build a program and map our progress. In the past, you have received surveys asking you to help identify your service line (the line that leaves the meter and comes into your home) and you will continue to receive those surveys. Please do not be alarmed. All of this is meant to help us help you. These surveys may come to you in the mail marked from the City of Gallipolis or 120water. The next phase of the Ohio EPA action on Lead Copper Rules requires that any service lines that were not identified or were identified as galvanized or lead (remember we are not aware at this time of any lead service lines) receive a notification letter. Any lines not identified will receive a letter stating that we are not aware of the material that is servicing your home and that it may be lead. Please do not be alarmed by that and take the time to fill out the survey that will follow in the coming months. This survey will tell us what kind of service line you do have. All galvanized service line will be identified as needing to be replaced in the future. The Ohio EPA goal is to have galvanized service lines replaced by the year 2037.

****For questions, please contact the Water Treatment Plant at 740-446-0613****