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GLWA CONTINUES PROACTIVE WORK TO IMPROVE RESILIENCY OF THE REGIONAL WATER TRANSMISSION SYSTEM

- Work will impact a section of water transmission main along 14 Mile Road resulting in a temporary change in the way water flows in the part of the system that serves Commerce Township, Farmington Hills, Farmington, West Bloomfield Township, Walled Lake, Novi, and Wixom;
- The temporary flow change, which will last 6-8 weeks, and may cause changes in water pressure and appearance in this area;
- No impacts to water quality are expected.

DETROIT – The Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) is continuing its proactive efforts to improve the resiliency of the regional water transmission system with work that will impact a section of water transmission main that serves Commerce Township, Farmington Hills, Farmington, West Bloomfield Township, Walled Lake, Novi, and Wixom. Previously, 520 feet of transmission main was renewed within other areas of this main in the fall of 2021 and fall of 2022. This project will renew 712 feet of main and will complete the necessary improvements to the existing transmission main within 14 Mile Road at this time.

While no impacts to water quality are expected, a temporary change in the way water flows in the system is required and may result in customers in the above-mentioned communities experiencing pressures different from normal during the shutdown period, which is expected to last 6-8 weeks and begin the week of January 30, 2023.

The water flow change may also result in a change to the appearance of the water, with it becoming cloudy or discolored. GLWA has developed a Frequently Asked Questions resource on what to do if you experience discolored water, which can be found here.

GLWA will monitor water quality throughout the shutdown to ensure that it remains of unquestionable quality.

In the area where work is being conducted, adjustments to traffic patterns will be required to protect construction workers along 14 Mile Road; however, two-way traffic will be maintained.

About the Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA)

The Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) is the provider-of-choice for drinking water services to nearly 40 percent, and efficient and effective wastewater services to nearly 30 percent, of Michigan's population. With the Great Lakes as source water, GLWA is uniquely positioned to provide those it serves with water of unquestionable quality. GLWA also has the capacity to extend its services beyond its 88 member partner communities. As part of its commitment to water affordability, the Authority offers a Water Residential Assistance Program to assist low-income households in participating member communities throughout the system. GLWA's board includes one representative each from Oakland, Macomb, and Wayne counties, two representatives from the city of Detroit, and one appointed by the Michigan governor to represent member partner communities outside of the tri-county area.

