

News

From the Well

WATER UTILITY UPDATES FOR CITY OF LONGVIEW CUSTOMERS

Good progress has been made on the emergency main replacement project. On average, 200 lineal feet of pipe is laid each day and roughly 2,000 lineal feet of new main has been installed since work began. Although progress will be slower in the alleys, we are on schedule to move customer services to the new main by January 11, 2014.

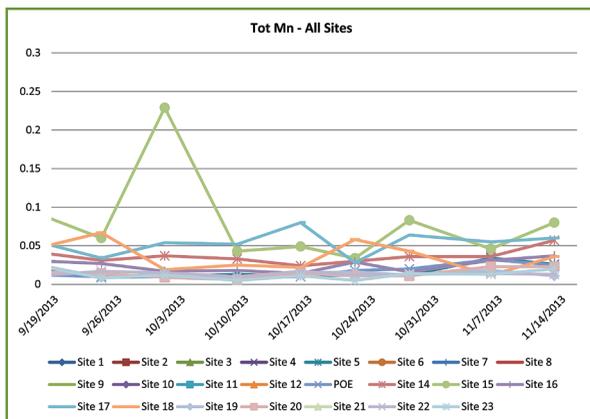


AES installing 12" main on Beech St.

Jar and spotting testing begins this week with three different phosphate products to determine if phosphates will be effective at reducing precipitation, discoloration, and white spotting. We are also sending water samples to EPA's Office of Research & Development for comparative analysis.

Weekly test results from samples taken throughout the distribution system continue to indicate most of the system is stabilizing. However, testing indicates iron and manganese issues continue to be problematic in certain areas and flushing efforts are ongoing to improve water quality.

Last week, City crews installed eight more automatic flushers: Old and New West Side, Commerce area, Robbins and Terry/Taylor neighborhoods. The flushers gently exchange water to improve area water quality.



Weekly manganese levels

To report a water quality complaint 24 hours a day, click on the ASK Longview button at www.mylongview.com. You may also call Utilities Division at 442-5700 or Public Works at 442-5200. We appreciate your patience as we work through these temporary problems.

Did You Know?

pH is a measure of acidity or alkalinity. A solution with pH less than 7.0 is acidic; greater than 7.0 is alkaline. EPA recommends water systems maintain the pH of drinking water between 6.5 and 8.5. The pH of the treated water leaving the old treatment plant on Fishers Lane varied from 6.9 to 8.5. The pH of the treated groundwater leaving the Mint Farm Regional Water Treatment Plant is 7.7.