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Lakewood Watermain Replacement Project

Northland Avenue North & South, Norton Avenue

The 2025-2026 Watermain Replacement Project is underway. This project will improve the water quality, drainage and pavements on Northland North from Madison to Detroit, Northland South from Hilliard to Delaware and Norton Avenue from Webb to Granger Road.

Recently Completed Work:

On Norton Avenue:

- » Contractor completed the installation of the new curb underdrain and the placement of the new concrete curb along the south side of the road.
- » It is anticipated that the contractor will complete the removal and replacement of all the concrete drive aprons for the entire street by the end of business, Friday (11/14/2025).
- » Reconstruction of the entire roadway has begun, to date the contractor has removed approximately 19-inches of existing pavement and underlying soils and placed an initial layer of new limestone gravel (on top of a heavy-duty geo-grid matting).
- » Where possible, temporary stone ramps have been installed in front of the drive aprons to maintain vehicle access to the driveways.

On Northland Avenue (North):

- » New 8-inch watermain has been installed (including new fire hydrants and branch lines) for the approximate northern third of the street. Before putting this section of watermain into service, it underwent and successfully passed pressure and bacterial testing requirements. A few properties within this section have already received new copper water service lines.
- » The remainder of the new watermain for the approximate southern two-thirds of the street is currently being installed and undergoing the pressure and bacterial testing process.
- » A few properties have received their new replacement sanitary and storm sewer laterals (including new exterior cleanouts). These new laterals generally extend from the sewer mains to about a few feet behind the property's sidewalk. In general, the contractor will attempt to install the new sewer laterals at the same time as the new copper water service lines are run to each individual property.

LET'S STAY IN TOUCH!

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Special Project Notes

✔ The planned Maintenance of Traffic procedures will be implemented when the contractor begins work on any of the project streets. Project streets will have one-way traffic only (all the time), and no on-street parking from 7am-6pm (Monday-Friday). Reference current roadway safety signs, message boards, and project notices.

✔ For the safety of the residents and construction workers please take caution and slow down while driving through work Zone.

✔ During construction hours you may expect a slight delay while we are moving materials or loading trucks. Please be patient and we will get you through as quickly as we can.

✔ For residents needing access in or out of their drive during construction hours we are happy to accommodate by placing plates or moving equipment that may be obstructing you. This may take a few moments so please be patient and we will have you on your way.

Stay informed with up-to-date information by checking the project webpage at: <https://www.lakewoodoh.gov/northland-norton-project/>

✔ You can also send your comments or questions to Lakewoodwatermaininfo@dlz.com and we will reply as soon as possible.

Upcoming Work:

On Norton Avenue:

- » Beginning the week of 11/17/2025 the contractor will be placing an additional layer of limestone gravel (including final grading). The following day, the contractor will be placing a 6-inch layer of heavy-duty base asphalt material across the entirety of the roadway and the day after that the contractor will place a new layer of intermediate asphalt (finer graded material) across the roadway surface.
- » During this process, temporary stone ramps in front of the driveways will have to be removed. These paving operations are expected to take about two to three working days. Residents will not have access to their driveways during the stone base placement and grading. However, after the 6-inch layer of base asphalt is placed the contractor will be able to reinstall new temporary ramps for driveway access.
- » On-street parking will be restricted during the day but allowed in the evenings. We understand that this work is disruptive, and we appreciate your cooperation as we perform this much-needed roadway improvement work. **The paving operations and schedule are weather dependent**; the contractor will be passing out notifications the day before the stone placement and grading operations are to begin.

On Northland Avenue (North):

- » The contractor plans on completing the remaining portion of watermain, including the pressure and bacterial testing requirements.
- » Crews will continue with the excavation and placement of new sanitary and storm sewer laterals (including exterior cleanouts) and the installation of new copper water service lines.
- » If your property has an existing lead (or galvanized steel) water service line located on private property, the contractor and/or project inspector will be reaching out to these individual property owners to coordinate the replacement of these lines with a new copper service line (at no charge to the property owners). This work must be performed prior to connecting these properties to the new watermain.

On Northland Avenue (South):

- » Traffic control devices (signs, cones, barricades) have been installed along (and near) Northland-South. For the duration of the project the street will have a one-way-only (southbound) traffic pattern.
- » The contractor has installed No Parking signs in every tree lawn on the street. There is to be no daytime on-street parking (M-F, 7a-6p) during this project.
- » Residents can anticipate the contractor mobilizing equipment to the site, including the storage of materials (new sewer and watermain piping) in the coming days.
- » Also, the contractor will begin saw-cutting the pavement in preparation for the planned watermain and sewer excavations.

**Information about the project was shared at the public meeting held on July 16th. For a copy of the presentation materials visit: <https://www.lakewoodoh.gov/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/2025-26-WM-Public-Meeting-FINAL.pdf>*

Project Timeline

