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Aquarion Water Company Starts Improvement Projects

Aquarion Water Company has initiated work on improvement projects for its water delivery systems in Groton and Stonington, with expected completion by July 4.

In Groton, Aquarion will repair or replace several water service lines on West Main Street (Route 1), in coordination with the town's Streetscape project.

Aquarion also plans to replace two water service lines and repair two valves in Stonington, on Broadway Avenue (Route 1) near Washington Street, coordinating the work with that town's Streetscape project.

In addition, Aquarion will replace 1,600 feet of water main on Church Street in Stonington, from Holmes Street to Denison Avenue (Route 27). Aquarion has been working with both towns to share paving costs so everyone can benefit from cost savings.

During these projects, customers in Groton and Stonington may experience temporary service disruptions or discolored water. Aquarion recommends customers store water in their refrigerators for drinking and cooking in case these circumstances arise. Customers also should refrain from washing laundry if water is discolored.

Customers who have discolored water should notify Aquarion at 1-800-732-9678.

The company also plans to install a sewer pump station and force main at its Dean's Mill water treatment plant along Mistuxet Avenue. Aquarion will use an abandoned 1888 water main as a sleeve for the half-mile-long force main, reducing the cost of the project by an estimated 72%. Because trenching won't be required, there will be minimal traffic disruption on the street, which is frequented by school buses.

"We appreciate residents' patience as these projects progress," said Judy Simpanen, Aquarion's Operations Manager for the Stonington/Groton area. "We are working closely with officials in both towns to coordinate the work and to minimize disruption. The end result will be lower costs, better service for our customers and increased safety for all residents, since the projects also will improve fireflows.

Aquarion Water Company serves 580,000 people in 39 communities throughout Connecticut. It is among the seven largest investor-owned water utility companies in the U.S., and the largest in New England.

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