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## Current Resident; Pleasant and Smith Street Water Main Replacement Project

Dear Customer,

This letter is to update you about the upcoming work that will be happening on Pleasant and Smith Streets. The Yarmouth Water District will be replacing the 6-inch cast iron water main on Pleasant Street from Smith Street north to Lafayette Street. We will also replace the 4-inch cast iron water main on Smith Street from Pleasant Street to Lafayette Street. The existing water mains were installed in 1957 and have reached the end of their life cycle.

We have had multiple repairs and water quality issues in this area. The existing water mains will be replaced with 12-inch cement lined ductile iron pipe on Pleasant Street and 8-inch cement lined ductile iron pipe on Smith Street. Installing larger diameter cement lined ductile iron pipe will reduce water quality issues, improve fire flow capabilities, and improve reliability of the water system. The District's portion of the service lines (from the water main to the property line) will be replaced with 1-inch copper tubing with a new shut off valve and connecting to the existing customer service line after the new valve.

We have awarded the project to Crooker Construction, out of Topsham, to complete the work. The same contractor was used in 2016 to install the new water main on Pleasant Street from Baywood Lane to Smith Street. We will be partnering with the Town of Yarmouth who will be performing some sidewalk and road upgrades. That additional work will be handled by the Town of Yarmouth.

Temporary water mains and services will be used throughout the project to minimize interruptions to service, but interruptions may be needed to make critical connections. Crooker has hired Thirsty Turf Irrigation out of Gorham to perform all temporary service work.

We anticipate Crooker mobilizing as soon as August 28, 2023, and working with Thirsty Turf to set up temporary services. These service lines will be 2" diameter lines that will be installed above ground at the front of your property. Connections will be made to an outside water spigot to provide service throughout the duration of the project.

Heavy equipment will be used for excavation and removal of material. We anticipate equipment will be stored along the edge of the road when not in operation which will narrow the roadway but still allow traffic to easily pass through. During the workday traffic flow will be allowed for local traffic only. It is highly recommended that bicycles and vehicular traffic use an alternate route to the southern intersection of Pleasant Street at Lafayette Street. Pedestrians will be allowed to pass through the area. Accommodation for buses, mail delivery, and trash pick-up will be made as well. Please understand that there will be delays as the contractor performs this work and we do realize this may be an inconvenience and appreciate your patience.

The Water District will be managing and overseeing all aspects of the water main work. We will always have an inspector onsite. We understand that this project will cause some inconvenience, so "thank you" for bearing with us while we perform this important work. If you have any questions regarding this project, please call the office and ask for the Assistant Superintendent, Tim Herrick, or the Superintendent, Eric Gagnon. As always, if you need any assistance from the District regarding your service call us at 846-5821. If it is after hours, please call dispatch at 846-3333 and they will page our stand-by personnel who will respond to you as quickly as possible.

Very Truly Yours,

Eric Gagnon Superintendent