# LEAD PROTECTION PROGRAM

# **CONSENT FOR LEAD SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENT**

#### REQUEST FOR PROPERTY OWNER CONSENT

This form is to confirm your consent for the City of Greeley and its contractors (collectively, the "City") to replace any water service line located on your property that the City determines likely contains lead or is a lead contaminated line. A water service line is an underground pipe that brings water from the water main in the street to your property, connecting to your home's plumbing. Although lead is not present in the water that the City sends to your property, lead can get into water as it moves through a lead or a lead contaminated pipe.

As part of the City's Lead Protection Program, the City is working to replace private water service lines that contain lead or are lead contaminated. Under Section 20-122 of the Greeley Municipal Code, the property owner is responsible for the installation, maintenance, and repair of the water service line and fittings from the property line to the residence, including the meter pit. However, under the City's Lead Protection Program, the City will replace your lead or lead contaminated water service line(s) at no charge, which is a \$6,000-\$16,000 cost savings to you based on the City's average cost to replace a lead or lead contaminated water service line.

#### **CITY'S RESPONSIBILITIES**

By replacing your lead or lead contaminated water service line(s), the City will assume the following responsibilities:

- Conduct investigation (i.e., potholing) to confirm water service line materials [complete].
- Provide advance notice of replacement.
- Obtain necessary permits.
- Replace lead or lead contaminated service line to the first connection inside of the house.
- Provide exterior flushing and instructions for interior flushing post-replacement.
- Offer water quality testing three to six months after replacement.
- Provide filter replacement cartridges for up to six months post-replacement.
- Restore exterior to the original ground surface elevation and provide sod or reseeding of grass, generally within a four-month time frame.

#### PROPERTY OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

By consenting to the replacement of your lead or lead contaminated water service line(s), you (as the property owner) agree to undertake the following responsibilities:

- Anticipate a temporary interruption of water service to your property during the replacement of your service line.
- Property owner or designee, at least 18 years old, must be at the property on the date and time scheduled for the water service line replacement.
- Property owner must provide reasonable, safe, lighted, and unencumbered access to the
  water meter and to the water service line inside the property, including access to the
  basement, wall or floor area where the water service line enters the building, and move
  any items blocking access, such as boxes, furniture, washers, dryers, etc.
- If the meter and/or water service line is located behind a finished wall, or under a finished floor such that gaining access will disrupt the room finish, the property owner is responsible for removing the obstruction and establishing the necessary access to perform the work. Restoration of the disturbed area upon completion of the service line replacement and any plumbing modifications is the property owner's responsibility.
- After installation of the new water service line, property owner will follow flushing
  instructions provided by the City representative to remove any remaining particles of lead
  and/or debris. Maintenance of the service line from the water meter to any interior
  plumbing or backflow device, if previously installed, remain the responsibility of the
  property owner.
- Property owner must closely monitor the interior location within the home where the
  water service line connects to your plumbing. Notify the City's Water & Sewer
  Department immediately if you notice any new water seepage or other changes in
  conditions. Contact information is provided below.
- Exterior landscaping, hardscaping or structures on the property that impede the
  replacement of the water service line may be disturbed as part of the service line
  replacement. The City and its contractors will use best efforts to minimize disturbance,
  but you are responsible for the restoration of any exterior landscaping, hardscapes or
  structures. Examples of landscaping, hardscaping or structures that the property owner
  is responsible for restoring include, but is not limited to, trees, shrubs, bushes, flowers,
  steps, patios, retaining walls, specialty or tinted concrete, and structures of any type.
- Property owner is responsible for irrigating restored turf.
- Property owner is responsible for the care and maintenance of the property (including any structures), the water service line, and any interior plumbing before and after the City replaces the water service line.

#### PROPERTY OWNER'S REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

By authorizing the replacement of your lead or lead contaminated water service line(s), you are providing the following representations and warranties:

- I certify that I am the property owner, or the legal representative for the property owner, of the below service address property and have the legal right and authority to execute this form and to grant the City and its contractors the rights set forth in this form.
- I certify that if there are any tenants or other residents of the property other than the undersigned, I will provide them advance notice of the scheduled work.
- I agree that I am responsible for ensuring that the property is in safe and sanitary condition and that the necessary plumbing shall be accessible for workers to complete the replacement of the water service line and any required interior plumbing modifications.
- I understand that if the City determines that safe and sanitary conditions are not met, or that the plumbing is not accessible, replacement will not be performed until such conditions have been met.
- I understand that I am responsible for the existing and on-going condition, care, and maintenance of the property (including any structure), the water service line, and any interior plumbing.

#### **AUTHORIZATION**

I hereby authorize the City and its contractors to:

- 1. Replace the water service line from the water main tap or meter to its first fitting inside my home.
- 2. Make any interior plumbing modifications in my property necessary to replace my water service line in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in this form.

ADDITIONALLY, I acknowledge and agree that on my own behalf, and on behalf of all other persons who could claim by or through me:

- 3. Except for the written obligations in this form, to release the City and hold harmless the City and its designated contractors from any and all claims, causes of action, damages, or losses, of any nature whatsoever, that I may have with respect to the work authorized by this form.
- 4. That I have accepted the offer of replacement of the water service line and any included interior plumbing modifications voluntarily at no cost.
- 5. That I fully understand the terms of this form and have the right to consult with an attorney if I have questions regarding this form.

#### **RESPONSE REQUIRED**

**YOUR RESPONSE IS REQUIRED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE:** You may sign and submit this form through:

- (a) the U.S. Mail to Water Quality Team, Water & Sewer Department, 1001 11<sup>th</sup> Ave, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Greeley, Colorado 80631 or
- (b) by scanning a copy and sending via email to <a href="mailto:LeadProtection@greeleygov.com">LeadProtection@greeleygov.com</a>
- (c) via online form accessible at: <a href="https://greeleygov.com/services/ws/system/corrosion-control">https://greeleygov.com/services/ws/system/corrosion-control</a>

The City WILL NOT replace your lead or lead contaminated water service line unless you consent to the replacement by submitting this form and acknowledging the above terms and conditions. If you DO NOT wish for the City to replace your water service line, you may decline the City's request by selecting the option below.

IF YOU FAIL TO RESPOND WITHIN 2 WEEKS OF RECEIVING THIS FORM, THE CITY WILL TREAT YOUR LACK OF RESPONSE AS IF YOU DECLINED THE CITY'S REQUEST TO REPLACE YOUR WATER SERVICE LINE. BY DECLINING [OR BY FAILING TO RESPOND], YOU ARE ACKNOWLEDGING THAT YOUR WATER SERVICE LINE MAY CONTAIN LEAD OR IS A LEAD CONTAMINATED SERVICE LINE, WHICH MAY INCREASE LEVELS OF LEAD IN YOUR WATER AND ADVERSELY AFFECT THE HEALTH OF THOSE WHO RESIDE AT YOUR PROPERTY. FURTHERMORE, YOU UNDERSTAND AND ACCEPT THAT BY DECLINING [OR BY FAILING TO RESPOND] THE CITY WILL RECORD A NOTICE WITH THE WELD COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER THAT YOUR PROPERTY IS SERVED BY A LEAD OR LEAD CONTAMINATED WATER SERVICE LINE. THE NOTICE WILL NOT BE REMOVED UNTIL THE CITY RECEIVES EVIDENCE THAT THE WATER SERVICE LINE HAS BEEN REPLACED.

SECTION 1: AFFECTED PROPERTY		
Greeley Water Customer Number (if available)		
Street Address		
Street Address		
City	Zip Code	
SECTION 2 PROPERTY OWNER DETAILS		
Full Name of Property Owner (First Name Last Name)		
Phone Number		
Email Address		
Street Address		
City	Zip Code	
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SECTION 3 DESIGNEE CONTACT DETAILS (OPTIONAL)  The Property Owner or a designee must be at the property on the date and time scheduled for the water service line replacement. The Property Owner may use the section below to specify a designee. The designee must be at least 18 years old and have the authority to provide direction and make decisions on the Property Owner's behalf. Once designated, the City and Contractor will contact the designee for scheduling and discussing the specifics of your service line replacement. If a tenant occupies your property, you or the designee will be responsible for contacting the tenant and obtaining access to the property on the City and Contractor's behalf.		
Full Name of Designee (First Name Last Name)		
Please specify relationship of designee to the property owner:		
Phone Number		
Email Address		
Street Address		
City	Zip Code	

#### **SECTION 4 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

□ ACCEPT - I DO want the City to replace my lead or lead contaminated water service line(s).

By selecting "ACCEPT", I acknowledge the following:

- I am the property owner of the affected property located at the address listed in Section 1 of this form;
- I have read and understand the information provided;
- my property has been identified as having a lead or lead contaminated water service line; and
- I am consenting to the City's replacement of my lead or lead contaminated service line and accept the terms and conditions above.

□ **DECLINE - I DO NOT** want the City to replace my lead or lead contaminated water service line(s).

By selecting "DECLINE", I acknowledge the following:

- I am the property owner of the affected property located at the address listed in Section 1 of this form;
- my property has been identified as having a lead or lead contaminated water service line;
- failing to replace my lead or lead contaminated water service line may result in elevated levels of lead in the drinking water at my property;
- I have read and understand the information provided;
- I am rejecting the City's offer to replace my lead or lead contaminated water service line;
- I acknowledge that the City will be recording a notice with the Weld County Clerk and Recorder; and
- I understand that due to the harmful health effects of lead exposure, the City may require that I replace the water supply line as a condition of water service in the future.

Signature:	Date

## **RESOURCES:**

- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA): Basic Information about Lead in Drinking Water:
   <a href="https://www.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water/basic-information-about-lead-drinking-water#health">https://www.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water/basic-information-about-lead-drinking-water#health</a>
- Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment (CDPHE): Lead in Drinking Water:
   <a href="https://cdphe.colorado.gov/lead-in-drinking-water">https://cdphe.colorado.gov/lead-in-drinking-water</a>
- Center for Disease Control and Prevention: Overview of Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention
   https://www.cdc.gov/nceh/lead/prevention/health-effects.htm.

## **QUESTIONS AND CONTACT INFORMATION:**

Please contact us if you have questions or need further help regarding this form.

CITY CONTACT INFORMATION	
Lead Protection Team / Water Quality Team	
Phone: 970-350-9240	Email: <u>leadprotection@greeleygov.com</u>
Street Address:	
Lead Protection Team	
Water & Sewer Department	
1001 11 <sup>TH</sup> AVE, 2 <sup>ND</sup> Floor, Greeley, Colorado 80631	