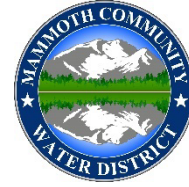


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MCWD Lead and Copper Water Service Line Information

The Mammoth Community Water District is conducting a Water Service Line Survey of Private Service Connections to comply with the Environmental Protection Agency Lead & Copper Rule.

Mammoth Lakes, California – As part of a nationwide effort to protect communities from lead exposure, The United States Environmental Protection Agency is requiring water purveyors, including the Mammoth Community Water District (MCWD), to identify the material of private water service lines in their service area. While no lead water service lines have been identified in Mammoth Lakes to date, residents with unknown service line materials are asked to complete a survey to determine the material of their water lines. A letter of request to complete the Water Service Line Survey has been sent *only* to property owners with unknown service line materials. Property owners who have received this request can submit information using MCWD's Water Service Line Survey form, found on our website here: <https://www.mcwd.dst.ca.us/water-service-line-survey>

A water service line is the pipe that connects your home to the public water main line in the street. These pipes can be made of galvanized steel or iron, plastic, copper, or lead. While water provided by Mammoth Community Water District is free of lead, lead can get into your drinking water as it passes through pipes and faucets on private property which contain lead. Exposure to lead in drinking water can cause serious health problems.

In 1986, Congress banned the use of lead solder containing greater than 0.2% lead, and restricted the lead content of faucets, pipes, and other plumbing material to 8.0%. In the same year, California enacted an even more restrictive lead plumbing ban. If your home was built after 1986, your service lateral should not be lead. Homes built before this time may have lead pipes, and verification of the service line material is the best way to confirm.

Thank you to those customers who have already completed the survey. If you have any questions, please contact the District at 760-934-2596.

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MCWD provides water and wastewater utility service to the Town of Mammoth Lakes and surrounding areas. MCWD strives to provide reliable, affordable utility service to our customers and to conduct our operations in a manner reflecting our stewardship role. We encourage our customers to practice responsible use of our limited water resources, and to take advantage of the information and services available to support this goal.