

Ridgewood Water Weekly

Road Work Ahead

Week of 4/22/2024

Potential for Traffic Diversion: (High)

Capital Improvement Projects: RW Capital Improvement Contractors will be working in Wyckoff and Midland Park. RW has an active water main replacement project in Wyckoff on Carlton Rd. and Hartung Dr. Another contractor has begun raw water main installations this week in Midland Park on Glen Ave. Please visit our [Service Advisory Map](#) for details.

Lead Service Line Replacement Project: RW Distribution Crews are scheduling main-to-curb lead service line (LSL) replacements on various streets throughout the service area to meet independent contractors replacing customer side LSLs. As our LSL Replacement Program and associated ordinances are being introduced at council/committee, many residents are hiring independent contractors to replace their lines. Please remind your contractors to contact our customer service team to ensure that our distribution crews are able to coordinate inspections and system-side LSL replacements in a timely manner.

EPA Releases National PFAS Standards

On April 10, 2024 the US EPA released the first national regulations on PFAS Compounds. Water Utilities around the country will now have 3 years to test their water sources and two additional years to take action such as installing treatment in order to be in compliance.

PFAS Compound	Final MCLG	Final MCL (Enforceable)
PFOA	Zero	4.0 part per trillion (ppt)
PFOS	Zero	4.0 ppt
PFHxS	10 ppt	10 ppt
PFNA	10 ppt	10 ppt
HFPO-DA (GenX)	10 ppt	10 ppt
Mixtures Containing two or more PFHxs, PFNA, HFPO-DA, and PFBS	1 (unitless) Hazard Index	1 (unitless) Hazard Index

- Utilities have until 2029 to be compliant
 - Ridgewood Water will be in compliance in 2026
- Maximum Contaminant Limit Goals are set to zero ppt
 - Current Testing capacity can only test down to 1.3 ppt
 - 1.3 ppt or below = nondetectable

- NJ Limits are set to 13 and 14 ppt, and the US EPA sets limits as low as 4 ppt
 - RW's PFAS Treatment Master Plan is designed to reach nondetectable levels

“Let’s be clear. PFAS is not a local problem. It is a global problem,” said Mayor Paul Vagianos. “Ridgewood Water is so far ahead of the curve because we began planning for this when it initially became a concern. By 2026, Ridgewood Water will be the standard that all other water providers will aspire towards.”