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## Watermain Replacement Wedgewood Drive and Ruth Avenue

**Expected Start Date: June 2015**

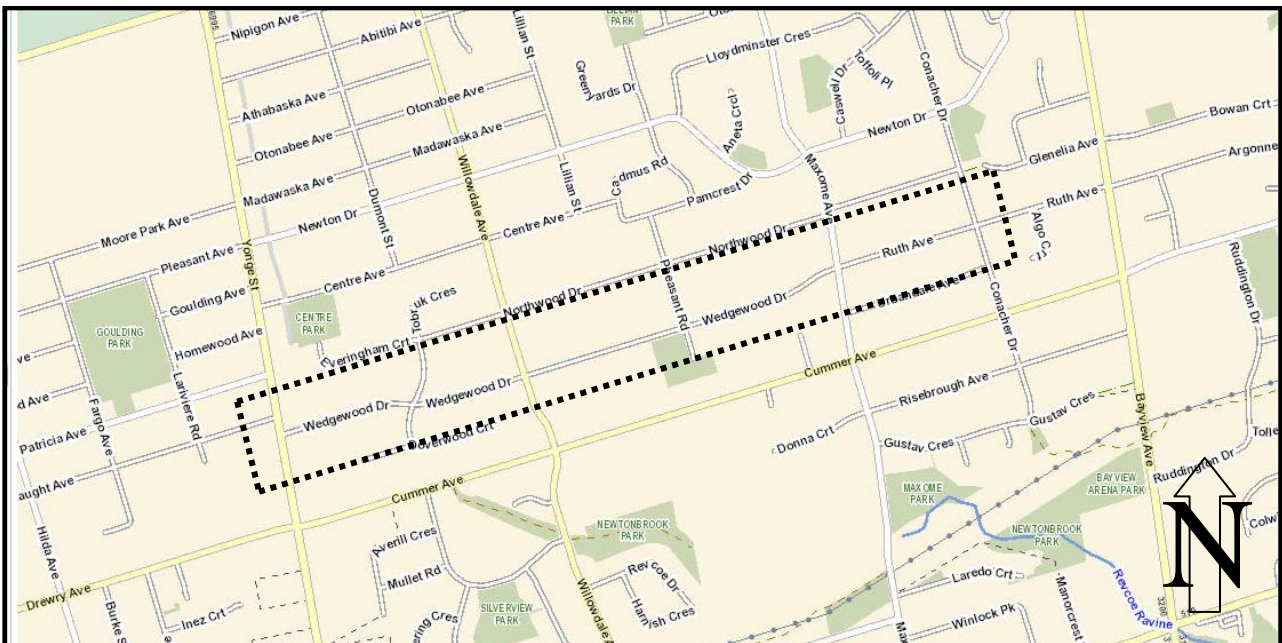
**Expected Completion Date: November 2015**

The City of Toronto will be replacing the watermain on Wedgewood Drive and Ruth Avenue. This work will also involve replacing substandard water services up to the property line, if required.

This work will take place on Wedgewood Drive from Yonge Street to Maxome Avenue and on Ruth Avenue from Maxome Avenue to Conacher Drive.

Further notice will be provided before construction starts with a more accurate start date. Your co-operation and patience during the construction is crucial and appreciated.

### Map of Work Area



### Project Details

This project includes:

- Replacing the existing watermain
- Replacing the City-owned portion of water services and substandard water services.
- Reinstating of the boulevards, roadway and driveways impacted by construction.

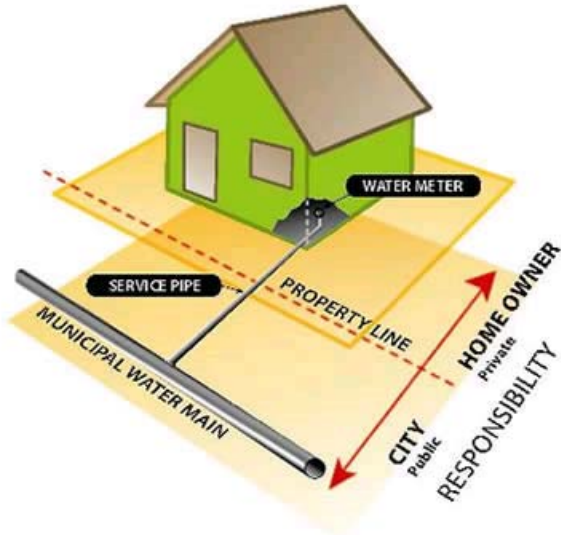
Many property owners have planted landscaping, fences, irrigation systems or other physical features in front of their home which are within the City property limits. These may be in the way of the construction. In such cases, residents are advised to remove these items prior to the beginning of construction in order to avoid unnecessary damage. The City will not be responsible for damage to any privately owned items installed on the City's property.

### Disruptions during Construction

In order to complete the watermain and services in a safe manner, it will be necessary to reduce traffic lanes. Local access and emergency traffic will be maintained at all times.

Access to driveways will be interrupted from time to time during construction. The contractor is obligated to notify residents and businesses of any temporary driveway closures.

## Substandard Water Service Replacement



A water service is the pipe that connects your house to the City’s water distribution system to deliver water into your home. There are two portions to the water service – the privately-owned portion and the publicly-owned portion.

The privately-owned portion runs from the property line to the home and is owned by the property owner; the City-owned portion runs from the property line to the watermain and is owned by the City.

The City will replace the City-owned portion of any substandard water service connection discovered during construction. The City is not responsible for replacing the privately-owned portion of the water service.

Your water service may be considered substandard if:

- the water service is made of lead or galvanized metal;
- the water service is smaller than the City’s 19 mm standard size;
- it is a double service, delivering water to more than one residential property; or
- It is leaking or broken.

If you are considering replacing the privately-owned section of the service it is recommended that you obtain at least three quotes from licensed contractors before deciding which company to hire. Property owners may contact the same contractor retained by the City to obtain an estimate for replacing the private portion of the water service at the same time as the public portion. PLEASE NOTE: any contract entered into is between the home owner and the contractor.

**Please take the time to read the attached fact sheet carefully as it contains important information on replacement of lead pipes and potential health concerns.**

### Next Steps

1. A public tender call will be issued in late April.
2. Subject to availability and funding, a contract will be awarded to the firm with the lowest bid price meeting the City’s specifications.
3. A construction notice with more details of the project will be distributed to all residents/business within the project limits prior to the start of construction.

### For more information

Project website [toronto.ca/constructioninfo](http://toronto.ca/constructioninfo)  
[toronto.ca/leadpipes](http://toronto.ca/leadpipes)

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