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Thank you,

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Flint Water Daily Update **Updated Feb. 2**

Current Issues Talking Points

Flint Mayor calls for immediate replacement of Flint pipes

- In a press conference today, Flint Mayor Karen Weaver called for immediate replacement of Flint's water infrastructure.
- Immediately removing pipes could potentially add to the infrastructure problem and result in higher costs for the city.
- Both Senate Minority Leader Jim Ananich and Virginia Tech water treatment expert Marc Edwards advise first mapping the city's pipes to determine the location of lead infrastructure.
- Edwards also says the state is taking the correct actions to make Flint's water safe again. Adding phosphate to the water to coat the pipes is a necessary first step toward ensuring safe drinking water for Flint residents.
 - [Flint's damaged pipes spark debate on fix](#) (Detroit Free Press)
 - [Prof. Marc Edwards discusses pipes in Flint](#) (video)
- The Governor continues to work with Edwards and the Flint Water Interagency Coordinating Committee to identify and implement a successful long-term solution for Flint families.

Senate Minority Leader sends Governor Flint action letter

- The Governor's senior staff has been in close communication with state Sen. Jim Ananich and have met with him frequently to provide updates, answer questions and get feedback.
- The Governor remains committed to providing Flint residents with the resources needed to implement both short and long-term solutions and will continue to work closely with Ananich.
- The Governor will announce a long-term funding proposal in his formal budget presentation next week to further address Flint water.

DPS Emergency Manager Darnell Earley resigns

- Today, Detroit Public Schools Emergency Manager Darnell Earley resigned, effective February 29.

- The Governor will appoint a transition leader before the end of the month to help guide DPS through a plan that will help address the district's academics and finances giving students and teachers the learning environment they deserve.
- The Governor is encouraging the Legislature to pass a bill package that will help address the \$515 million debt faced by DPS. With that support the district should be better able to manage its business and educational goals.

Governor continues to stress importance of home water testing

- A video with instructions on how to properly test home water is available to share:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QTER-DiK64o>
- The health and safety of Flint residents remains a top priority. It is essential that all Flint residents have the water in their homes tested as soon as possible.
- While water filters will eliminate lead in most homes, those with levels above 150 parts per billion will need to take extra precaution.
- If levels are above 150 ppb, residents should not drink water from the filtered faucet and use bottled water only.
- DEQ and DHHS will visit homes found to have lead levels over 150 ppb for additional testing.
- To date, less than one percent of Flint homes have been identified as having lead levels of this amount. Results showing lower levels indicate residents should continue following established protocols.
- Pregnant and nursing mothers and young children should continue to drink bottled water as a precaution.
- Free water testing kits are available at Fire Stations 1, 3, 5, 6, and 8. Water Samples should be returned to the fire stations for testing.
- Anyone who is unable to get to a Fire Station to pick up a free testing kit should call United Way 2-1-1 for assistance.