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Subject: FW: MEDIA RELEASE: Flint Mayor Targets First Lead Pipe Removal for Next Week

From: Snyder, Rick (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2016 12:40 PM
To: Agen, Jarrod (GOV)
Cc: Baird, Richard (GOV)
Subject: Fwd: MEDIA RELEASE: Flint Mayor Targets First Lead Pipe Removal for Next Week

I just received this email. The Mayor appears to be on her own path.

Please get Nick going ASAP on what is available from existing loan and other financing programs. Also, we need to look at the cash flow timing on the water bill payment program.

Thanks
Rick

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

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Subject: Fwd: MEDIA RELEASE: Flint Mayor Targets First Lead Pipe Removal for Next Week

Good afternoon, Governor. Jarrod asked me to send you this release that the Mayor just issued.

I believe you may get asked questions about some of the Mayor's comments.

Dave

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Kristin Moore <kmoore@cityofflint.com>
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For Immediate Release

Flint Mayor Karen Weaver Targets First Lead Pipe Removal for Next Week

Mayor Calls on Gov. Snyder to Pressure House, Senate GOP Leaders to Immediately Pass \$25 Million Supplemental to Pay for Pipe Removal

Mayor's Ambitious "Fast Start" Plan Wins Endorsement of Renowned Virginia Tech Water Expert Dr. Marc Edwards

(FLINT)— Mayor Karen Weaver announced today that her administration intends to begin replacing lead pipes in Flint next week to restore safe, clean drinking water as quickly as possible to the citizens of her city. She called on Gov. Rick Snyder to pressure the Legislature to move immediately to approve funding for the first phase of her \$55 million *Fast Start* lead pipe replacement plan.

Mayor Weaver said she is working with water infrastructure experts from the Lansing Board of Water & Light (BWL) to train local Flint workers on lead pipe removal at a vacant property in Flint owned by the Genesee County Land Bank. The training exercise is set to begin next week at a location to be announced. House-by-house lead service line removal and replacement operations targeting high-risk households across the city will commence shortly thereafter, Weaver said.

Mayor Weaver said she is very pleased that her *Fast Start* plan has been endorsed by renowned Virginia Tech water expert Dr. Marc Edwards, who is widely hailed for his role in uncovering the shocking lead levels in Flint's water supply and frequently testifies before Congress on lead contamination in municipal water systems. Dr. Edwards confirmed to MSNBC's *The Rachel Maddow Show* last week that he supports Mayor Weaver's project moving forward.

"These guys know what they are doing," Edwards told MSNBC. "Society needs to decide if lead pipe replacements are a good investment. Personally, I think so. I support this plan."

"I will not accept anything less than full removal of all lead pipes from our water system," said Mayor Weaver. "I continue to hear from Lansing that the people of Flint should wait to see if pipes can be 'coated.' I call on Governor Snyder to end that discussion, and to commit fully to getting the lead out of Flint."