



ROCKBRIDGE ROAD WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Fact Sheet

- The DeKalb County Department of Watershed Management (DWM) was established in 1942.
- DWM services over 5,000 miles of pipe that comprise the county's water and wastewater systems.
- Through planning, operation, maintenance, and monitoring we help provide clean, safe drinking water, and quality wastewater treatment year-round.
- Many of DeKalb County's water and sewer pipes are being replaced because they have exceeded their service life.
- According to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), counties and municipalities across the US need to invest \$384 billion in public drinking water infrastructure over the next 20 years.
- DeKalb County is replacing outdated water and sewer lines throughout the county under a \$1.345 billion Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) Program.
- The Rockbridge Road Water Main Replacement project is a CIP project.
- The purpose of the Rockbridge Road Water Main Replacement project is to replace approximately 36,000-feet, or nearly seven miles of aging water main along Rockbridge Road.
- The project will remove the current six-inch water main and install a new eight-inch water main to provide improved water services and help manage future demand for water services.
- The majority of the existing water main along Rockbridge Road has exceeded its useful life, as the date of installation ranges from 1954 to 1964.

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- The Rockbridge Road Water Main Replacement project is scheduled to begin in September 2017. The water main replacement project is expected to be substantially complete within 20 months.
- The water main replacement construction along Rockbridge Road will occur between Memorial Drive and South Deshon Road. Normal construction hours will be from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding major holidays. However, in some instances, weekend work could be necessary.
- Nearly 6,000 business and residential parcels will be impacted directly and indirectly.
- To speed up the completion of the water main installation, two construction crews will be working simultaneously. One construction crew will begin at Stone Mountain-Lithonia Road and the other crew will begin at South Deshon Road. Both crews will be working westward toward Memorial Drive.
- There will be an increase in construction equipment traffic at certain times during construction. Traffic control and safety measures will be implemented to assist motorists in moving safely through the construction zone.
- *Significant traffic delays* and single-lane closures are expected on Rockbridge Road between Memorial Drive and South Deshon Road during the 20-month construction.
- Some residents and businesses will experience **temporary water service interruptions** and those impacted property owners will be notified 48-hours in advance of construction-related, water service interruptions.
- Please call the DWM Outreach team and provide a current phone number and email address to be added to a contact list. For general project updates or information, contact the DWM Project Information Line at: 1-800-986-1108, Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., or email: projectinfo@dekalbcountyga.gov.