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Camden to Benefit from $2.5 Million Infrastructure

March 13, 2025 – New Jersey American Water will replace approximately 6,900 feet of aging water main in Camden starting next week. The company will upgrade the aging water lines that were installed as far back as the 1900s with new 8-inch and 12-inch ductile iron main along the following streets:

- Howell Street from High Street to North 27th Street
- Stewart Avenue from County Route 601 to Howell Street
- North 21st Street, North 22nd Street, North 23rd Street, North 24th Street, North 25th Street, and North 26th each from High Street to Howell Street
- Saunders Street from North 26th Street to North 27th Street
- High Street from Howell Street to North 21st Street

“New Jersey American Water is proud to continue investing in Camden’s water infrastructure to support the city’s growth and long-term success,” stated Mark McDonough, President, New Jersey American Water. “Through these essential upgrades, we are significantly enhancing service reliability to help ensure that life keeps flowing smoothly for residents. Camden is a city on the rise, and we remain committed to working closely with local leaders and the community to support its continued growth through our infrastructure investments.”

The project also includes replacing fire hydrants and utility-owned service lines along the pipeline route. Additionally, New Jersey American Water will replace any customer-owned service line that has been identified as lead or galvanized as part of a statewide initiative to remove all lead and galvanized service lines by 2031.

“This $2.5 million infrastructure investment by New Jersey American Water is yet another indicator that tremendous progress is taking place across Camden,” said Camden Mayor Victor Carstarphen. “Our partners at New Jersey American Water have set a high standard for water service delivery and reliability. The replacement of hydrants, utility-owned, and customer-owed service lines are an essential part of our city’s continued development. These types of improvements are helping to leverage billions of dollars in additional investment taking place in every neighborhood.”

New Jersey American Water’s local, qualified contractor, Pioneer Pipe Contractors, Inc., will begin work the week of March 17 and expects to be completed by the end of June. Work hours will be from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Work outside of these hours is not expected unless required to maintain project schedule. Final street restorations will be completed in the winter of 2025.

Project timelines are subject to change due to a variety of factors including weather and availability of supplies. New Jersey American Water encourages customers to take a few moments to update their contact information and preferences in their MyWater account. Customers must opt-in for general alerts to receive local main replacement and other non-emergency notifications via phone call, text or email. Individuals who are not New Jersey American Water account holders but would like to receive alerts and notifications from the company can also sign up by visiting awcodered.com or by texting WATER to 99411.

For the public’s and workers’ safety, traffic restrictions and/or alternating traffic patterns are likely to occur during work hours. All emergency vehicles and local traffic will be allowed access during construction. New Jersey American Water values the safety of its workers and advises drivers and pedestrians to take caution in the vicinity of work sites.

About New Jersey American Water
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