

# LEAD SERVICE LINE INVENTORY

The federal government is providing more than \$100 million to replace lead service lines in Montana.

## IS YOUR WATER SERVICE LINE MADE OF LEAD?

Find the water shut-off valve in your basement. Look at the pipe that comes through the outside wall of your home and connects to your home's shutoff valve.

If the pipe is painted, use sandpaper to expose the metal. Carefully scratch the metal pipe (like you would a lottery ticket) with a key or a coin.

To determine if the pipe is lead or steel, get a strong refrigerator magnet. Place the magnet on the pipe. If a magnet sticks, it is a steel pipe.

	<b>Lead</b>	<b>Galvanized Iron</b>	<b>Copper</b>	<b>Brass</b>
<b>Outer Appearance</b>	Dull gray, bendable; often curves between wall/floor and valve	Dark gray or black; straight rigid pipe	Brown; can have green corrosion spots	Brown; can have green corrosion spots
<b>Threads at Connections</b>	None	Yes	None	Yes
<b>Scratch Test (coin or key)</b>	Shiny silver	Hard to scratch, remains gray	Copper, like a penny	Gold color
<b>Magnet Test</b>	Does not stick	Magnet <b>WILL</b> stick	Does not stick	Does not stick

*Please complete and return our survey on the back.*

1. What is your name?

2. What year was your home built?

3. What is your address?

4. What type of internal plumbing do you have?

5. Do you have a water treatment system like a reverse osmosis (RO) or water softener? If so, what treatment types do you use?

6. What material is the water service line entering your house made of? *See the metals chart on the other side.*

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