



EPA's Lead and Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR)

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)'s Lead and Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR) will strengthen the current rules by identifying and removing potential sources of lead from drinking water. LCRR requires community (CWS) and non transient non community (NTNC) water systems to submit inventory and replacement plans to NHDES by the federal deadline of October 16, 2024.

Who Must Comply? All community water systems (CWS) and non transient non community (NTNC) water systems.

What Is Required? Submittal of all service line (SL) inventory and replacement plan. Failure to comply will result in federal enforcement by EPA.

Consulting Services for Small & Medium Systems

CWS and NTNC water systems with less than 1,700 service connections are receiving technical assistance from four NHDES-hired consulting firms: Arcadis, Hazen and Sawyer, Northeast GIS, and Underwood Engineers. New water systems are responsible for complying with LCRR as part of the design review process and will not be assigned one of the NHDES consultants. Visit NHDES' <u>Lead and Copper Rule webpage</u> to see if a consultant has been assigned to your water system.

Start developing inventory of all service lines (SLs). Review documents including but not limited to tie cards, pipe installation dates, etc. SLs classified as lead, unknown and/or galvanized requiring replacement (GRR) will prompt follow up actions. As you develop your inventory, try to identify as many SLs as possible to reduce the number of unknowns. You must use multiple methods of verification to backup your data.

Develop Replacement Plans for any SLs identified as lead, unknown, or GRR. Replacement plans must be submitted along with the inventory by the October 16, 2024 federal deadline. More information will be forthcoming as it becomes available.

Become familiar with the <u>NHDES Lead Service Line</u> <u>Inventory Template</u> which is the required format to submit inventory.