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Lead pipes in public water systems and drinking fixtures have been banned in new home construction since 1986, when Congress amended the Safe Drinking Water Act. However, in some older homes, service lines which are connected to the water mains may be made of lead. In addition, some faucets and plumbing fixtures in homes built before 1986 may also be made of lead.

Knowing where lead pipes are located is critical to replacing them efficiently.

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This initiative is an important first step in ensuring every family across the country has access to clean drinking water – as the EPA's goal is to replace 100% of the nation's lead pipes and service lines within 10 years. For more information, check out our [public service announcement video](#).

If you are interested in receiving complimentary technical assistance for your water or wastewater system, please visit [Our Services by State](#) page and select your state or territory to view regional contact information.

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