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Public Water Supply # 3010000

The Town of Arlington Department of Public Works (DPW) and the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (MWRA) are pleased to provide you with the 2014 Drinking Water Quality Report. The MWRA treats and delivers water to many cities and towns in the area. The Town distributes the water through our pipe network into your home or business.

Water Main Rehabilitation and Replacement

Last year, through the MWRA's Local Pipeline Assistance Program, the Town was able to replace approximately 3,000 linear feet of water main. Work was performed on Overlook Road and Road between Summer Street and Washington Street. This work was selected due to the age of the pipe and an above average history of leaks. The replacement pipe was also sized larger then the existing pipe to improve capacity. Additional work was also performed at the intersection of King Street and Summer Street which eliminated two dead-end mains. This will improve water quality and provide increased fire flow to the area. Plans for the spring/summer of 2015 include the replacement of water mains in Alpine Street, Branch Avenue, Morris Street, Summer Street (between King Street and Ronald Road), and High Haith Road (between Spring Street and Ottawa Road).

The MWRA program, which provides interest free loans to the Town, assists Arlington's efforts to upgrade an aging system. These upgrades serve to improve water quality and decrease the potential for main breaks and leaks.

Leak Detection and Prevention

Arlington also conducted a comprehensive leak survey of the entire Town in 2014. The survey, now conducted every year, helps the Town identify hidden problems within the system in an effort to reduce lost water and proactively address issues before they possibly become a more serious problem.

Water Quality

The DPW collects water quality samples at various locations throughout the Town on a weekly basis. In addition, lead and copper samples are collected at fifteen homes once a year. The results of these tests are included here:

September 2013 Lead and Copper Results (ppb=parts per billion)

	Range	90% Value	(Target) Action Level
Lead (ppb)	0.1-3.1 ppb	1.76 ppb	15 ppb
Copper (ppb)	10-87 ppb	82.5 ppb	1300 ppb

The DPW and MWRA continue to work together to provide you the highest quality water available. We ask that you take the time to read this report. If you have any questions or comments or would like information on public meetings, please contact Kent Larson with the Arlington DPW at **781-316-3102** or the Arlington Board of Health at **781-316-3170**. Please visit **www.arlingtonma.gov** for additional information regarding the Arlington DPW or Board of Health.

Thank you,

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