

To whom it may concern,

March 8th, 2017

With regards to HB512, I have given my best attempt at providing at least some information in dealing with lead mapping requirements for the City of Ironton. There are numerous shortcomings for this data to be established in even a remotely accurate manner, which is why this is not a very detailed map. In other words, data is only going to be as accurate as the information that is available. Claiming anything other than what is known would not only be dishonest, but also a liability for the City.

Like many cities, the City of Ironton has areas designed and built at different times. General age of these areas have been considered in the preparation of the map. Also, known areas the City has encountered lead service lines have been considered in generating this map. Many areas go back to even pre-1930's, when lead water lines were first thought of as having a health concern. Nearly all areas predate 1986, with very few properties constructed post 2014.

The “green areas” of the map are considered to be minimal or no lead. These areas are newer, and there is no record of any lead service lines being found in those areas during repairs and maintenance of the distribution system.

The “gray areas” of the map are color coded gray because we have occasionally found lead service lines in those zones. Many times, these are discovered while doing leak repairs, and when they are found, they are replaced by the City.

The “yellow areas” of the map are areas where lead service lines have been discovered. Also, these areas are the oldest parts of the City, and so it is reasonable to expect a high possibility of lead service lines currently in use.

Given the limitations of a feasible detailed study and mapping of lead service lines in the City of Ironton, please accept this submittal as an initial compilation of rough data from which to build upon in the future. The City of Ironton is open to any capable agency arriving and doing a complete study of our water system in order to provide more detailed data.

A link to the map is available at: <https://goo.gl/ly6ORt>

Regards,

Ryan Watts
Superintendent,
Ironton Water Treatment Plant

Ironton

