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**EHDW Circular Letter: 2021-35**

TO: Community Public Water Systems  
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FROM: Lori Mathieu, Public Health Branch Chief, EHDW *Lori J. Mathieu '21*

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SUBJECT: Lead-Free Water Challenge Program for the Replacement of Lead Service Lines

The Environmental Policy Innovation Center (EPIC) is launching a Lead-Free Water Challenge to help small municipalities (with a population size of roughly 5,000-35,000) and public water systems interested in replacing lead service lines, launch programs by offering technical assistance, connections to resources and funders, and information-sharing through peer networks. Public water systems from small municipalities willing to make a commitment to remove all their lead pipes, with full service lines replacement, which means both the public side and the private side, are encouraged to apply (either directly or through their municipality).

The deadline for the application is **June 15, 2021**. Early applications are highly encouraged. For additional information on the program, visit the EPIC's [Lead-Free Water Challenge](http://policyinnovation.org/water/leadfree) webpage at <http://policyinnovation.org/water/leadfree>.

If you have any questions, please contact Carissa Madonna at [carissa.madonna@ct.gov](mailto:carissa.madonna@ct.gov).

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