

<u>News Release</u>

Subject: Water Main Breaks

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City Crews Working on Two Water Main Breaks

City of Yakima crews are currently working on two water main breaks that occurred earlier today. As a result of the two water main breaks, water service to specific areas has been temporarily affected and traffic in the areas near the breaks is being impacted.

One of the water main breaks occurred in the 4100 block of Richey Road. Water service has temporarily been shut off to customers on Richey Road between 40th Avenue and 42nd Avenue. The section of Richey Road between 40th Avenue and 42nd Avenue is temporarily closed while crews work to resolve the water main break and remove debris.

A second water main break occurred in the vicinity of 16th Avenue and Willow Street. Water service has temporarily been shut off to customers on 16th Avenue between Englewood Avenue/Cherry Avenue and Willow Street. The section of 16th Avenue between Roosevelt Avenue and Jerome Avenue is temporarily closed while crews work to resolve the water main break and remove debris. One lane in each direction along the section of 16th Avenue between 18th Avenue between and Jerome should be reopened soon. However, Englewood between 18th Avenue and 15th Avenue is closed and will remain closed until the water break is resolved.

At this time, there is no specific estimate regarding when the water main breaks will be fixed and when water service that has been temporarily shut off will be restored.

Updates on the water main breaks on Richey Road and 16th Avenue will be provided as appropriate.

For more information about the two water main breaks, contact Water Distribution Supervisor Emilio Lopez at 575-6196.