

EID Water Quality: Lead

- EID takes seriously its responsibility to protect customers from lead and other water contaminant exposure.
- EID's water monitoring program is conducted in accordance with regulatory requirements and guidance.
- EID produces an annual water quality report that summarizes the results of ongoing tests for contaminants in drinking water, including lead. The report includes a comparison of the district's water quality to state and federal standards. The report can be accessed at www.eid.org/WaterQuality.
- Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing.
- There are no lead service lines in EID's service area.
- EID is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components on the customer's side of the meter.
- You may want to test your water if:
 - your home has lead pipes (lead is a dull gray metal that is soft enough to be easily scratched with a house key), or
 - your non-plastic plumbing was installed before 1986.
- When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to two minutes before using water for drinking or cooking.
- If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, test methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791, or at <http://www.epa.gov/lead>.