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WATER LINE REPAIRS COMPLETED AT FORBES/CORNWALL WELL ON HATCHER AVENUE

PURCELLVILLE, Va. Thursday, April 21, 2016 — Yesterday, Town staff identified a water break that was located inside the Nature Park Well System complex on Hatcher Avenue. After extensive excavation work at the complex, the Town located a leak on a flange that was attached to a 36” water main which serves as a chlorine contact line for the well complex. Because the piece of pipe where the leak occurred was a specialized custom pipe saddle and flange, the Town could not use normal repair processes to rectify the situation. As a result, the Town used a local welding company to complete a specialized repair on the flange. The lines have been filled and the complex is now back on-line.

During this period, no residents or businesses were out of service. The Town had to operate our water department around the clock to meet the higher demand that we are experiencing during this dry period and because this well facility provides one-sixth of our water supply on a daily basis.

While the Town was able to return to normal storage capacity and operations by running throughout the night, the Town would like to ask users to continue to work with us to refrain from activities that utilize large discretionary amounts of water usage such as water lawns, washing cars, filling swimming pools and other similar activities. We are asking our residents and businesses to continue this voluntary conservation through Friday, April 22 at 5:00 pm.

During this twenty-four hour repair period, the users of our system were not exposed to any public health concerns or issues. The Town was able to isolate this leak quickly to avoid any unnecessary additional water loss.

The Town of Purcellville, Virginia

Purcellville is an award-winning town of nearly 8,300 residents located in Loudoun County, approximately 40 miles west of Washington, DC. It has been honored for its green initiatives, most recently with the prestigious Siemens Sustainability Award for Small Communities. The Town has an elected Mayor and six Town Council members. Once a stop along the W&OD rail line, Purcellville has maintained its historic old-town feel through the restoration and maintenance of its many downtown structures, reflecting the Victorian architecture popular during the early 1900s. Today, Purcellville is the economic hub of western Loudoun County and a popular weekend destination for antiquing, entertainment, farmer’s markets, wineries, breweries, distilleries and restaurants. More info at www.purcellvilleva.gov.

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