



# GROTON UTILITIES

**Subject: Ledyard Water Systems  
Monthly Report: April/May 2026**

**To:** Ed Lynch, WPCA Chairman

**From:** Joseph Pratt, Manager Water & Wastewater

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Water Operations and Maintenance Monthly Report and Updates 4/15/2026 to 5/15/2026.

## **Operations:**

- Daily rounds of all systems
- Operation and maintenance
- Manage water storage tanks

## **Laboratory & Treatment:**

- Distribution system sampling and analyses continue per CTDPH schedule (microbiological & physical analyses). All results met CTDPH standards.
- Submitted results of monthly microbiological & physical analyses to CTDPH via CMDP (Compliance Monitoring Data Portal) as required. All monthly forms submitted via e-mail as required.
- Q2 sampling for THMs/HAA5s is completed for Ledyard Center, and we are in compliance. Q2 Gales Ferry THM/HAA5 samples will be collected in May. Both Ledyard Center and Gales Ferry remain in compliance with the Stage 2 Disinfectants and Disinfection Byproducts Rule. Groton Utilities, as contract operator for LWPCA, continues to use all available means to reduce water age in Ledyard Center and Gales Ferry, to keep THMs as low as possible.
- GU staff was in attendance at meeting with LWPCA chairman Ed Lynch and Arcadis, to discuss issues related to the Lead Service Line Inventory (aka, LSLI).

- We continue to respond to customer concerns and questions on a routine basis; all analyses related to customer concerns have met drinking water standards, and we provide explanations and interpretation of results to assist customers with their water quality concerns.
- Work has begun on the Annual Water Quality Reports (aka Consumer Confidence Reports, or CCRs) for the Ledyard Center and Gales Ferry water systems, for calendar year 2025.

### **Distribution:**

- **Meter and ERT Box Repair**  
Routine monthly repairs were completed for various meters and ERT boxes. Trouble sheets were addressed for both the Ledyard and Gales Ferry service areas.
- **General Maintenance / Housekeeping**  
Water Treatment Plant Booster Pump monthly maintenance was completed. Last month, I brought the quote from CoreTech to the council for approval. The council requested that we obtain two additional quotes for the inspection of the 5,000-gallon steel hydro tank, we are currently awaiting receipt of the quotes.
- **Water Main Breaks**  
Groton Utilities repaired one water main break located on Old Fort Road in the Highlands on Saturday, May 2, 2026.
- **Hydrants**  
There were no fire hydrant repairs in Ledyard or Gales Ferry over the past month.

### **Project Management:**

- **Site Plan Review**  
Groton Utilities is in the process of reviewing two site plans for multi-family residential developments in Ledyard Center; 740 Colonel Ledyard Highway and 1947 Center Groton Road. Discussions are taking place during the monthly GU-WPCA Operations meeting, relating to private facilities and recent revisions to Rules & Regulations for metering.
- **Water Services & Temporary Meters**  
Four customer call-ins were received regarding water service tie-ins. One temporary meter was requested for a landscaping project at Marty's Way; the meter has not yet been rented.
- **Water Call Before You Dig Tickets:**  
During the month of April, 43 water CBYD tickets were received and responses completed.

- **Sewer Call Before You Dig Discussion**  
GU is encouraging Ledyard to set up an account for Ledyard Sewer infrastructure to be registered with Call Before You Dig (CBYD) clearing house. Through this registration the Ledyard designee will receive CBYD tickets to mark-out sewer gravity main, force mains, laterals, etc.
- **Exclusive Water Service Areas (ESA) & Ledyard Center Development**  
GU requests additional clarification regarding the responsibilities for the ESA proposed service area swap, in the area of Colonel Ledyard Highway. As a contract operator, GU is responsible for water main repairs and service mark-outs, meter switch overs, and corresponding mapping, as well as CBYD responsibilities. The facilitation to turn over these responsibilities has not yet taken place. The WPCA Chair will organize a meeting with SCWA, WPCA and GU to facilitate the formal transfer.
- **Water Main Replacement Planning in the Highlands**  
GU encourages continued efforts and planning by the WPCA for future replacement of water mains in the Highlands. These efforts can be coordinated with paving projects or as stand alone.
- **Thompson Street and Meeting House Lane Valve Project**  
Meeting House Lane Paving is to be completed in May, in conjunction with other paving due to water main breaks and repairs. Upon completion of the paving and the records, the project will be billed. Please advise what documentation is required by Ledyard Finance / Asset Management, when preparing the invoice.
- **Lead Service Line Inventory (LSLI)**  
Ledyard WPCA and Arcadis are reviewing Arcadis' revised proposal for Lead Service Line Inventory Project. As Ledyard's contract operator, GU will have some interaction with Arcadis for operational coordination during the next phase. Arcadis will give a presentation to the WPCA at the June meeting. While the DPH deadline is currently set for November of 2027, DPH has publicly stated that it intends to move the deadline up; this decision is expected to be formally announced during December 2026, any will impact project schedules significantly.