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**TO ALL INTERSTED AGENCIES, PUBLIC GROUPS, AND CITIZENS:**

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Detroit District, provides notice of the availability of an Environmental Assessment (EA) for review and comment. The EA addresses the environmental effects of disconnecting up to 5,000 lead service lines on vacant parcels formerly serviced by the public water distribution system now servicing Detroit residents in Wayne County, Michigan. The EA includes a preliminary Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) which includes an evaluation of the anticipated effects from project implementation. The preliminary FONSI reflects the conclusions of the EA that the project does not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment; therefore, we anticipate that an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is not required. This project is authorized under Section 219 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1992, Public Law 102-580, as amended.

Copies of this Public Notice and EA are being provided to federal, state, and local agencies, interested federally recognized tribes, interested groups and individuals for review and comment. The EA may be viewed online at the following web address: [https://publibrary.sec.usace.army.mil/api/download?id=c5e96b84-a9b5-4cf4-c3d0-979f5aadf8c9&filename=PN\\_PL-FONSI\\_EA\\_DetroitLeadLineRemoval.pdf&token=&preview=true](https://publibrary.sec.usace.army.mil/api/download?id=c5e96b84-a9b5-4cf4-c3d0-979f5aadf8c9&filename=PN_PL-FONSI_EA_DetroitLeadLineRemoval.pdf&token=&preview=true) . All comments are welcome and should be made within thirty (30) days from the date of this notice. If no comments are received by the end of the thirty (30) day review period, it will be assumed that you have no comment. Please provide all comments by email to: LRE-Section219@usace.army.mil refer to file 2026-004 DLL. All comments received will be taken under consideration, as applicable. Any person who has any comments related to historic properties (properties eligible for or listed on the National Register of Historic Places) may submit comments, within the 30-day comment period of this notice, clearly stating the historic property and the potential effect of the undertaking.

Upon completion of public review and an evaluation of the comments received, the USACE Detroit District Engineer will make a final decision regarding the necessity of preparing an EIS for the proposed action.

Sincerely,

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# Figures

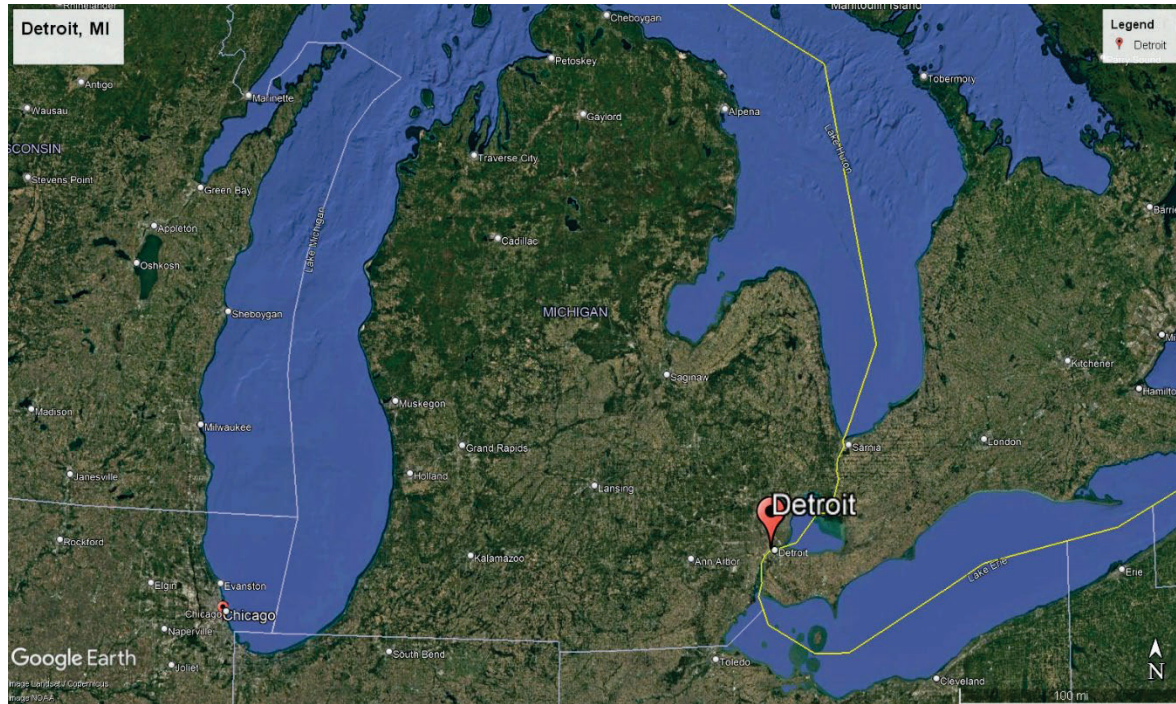


Figure 1. Project Location Detroit, Michigan

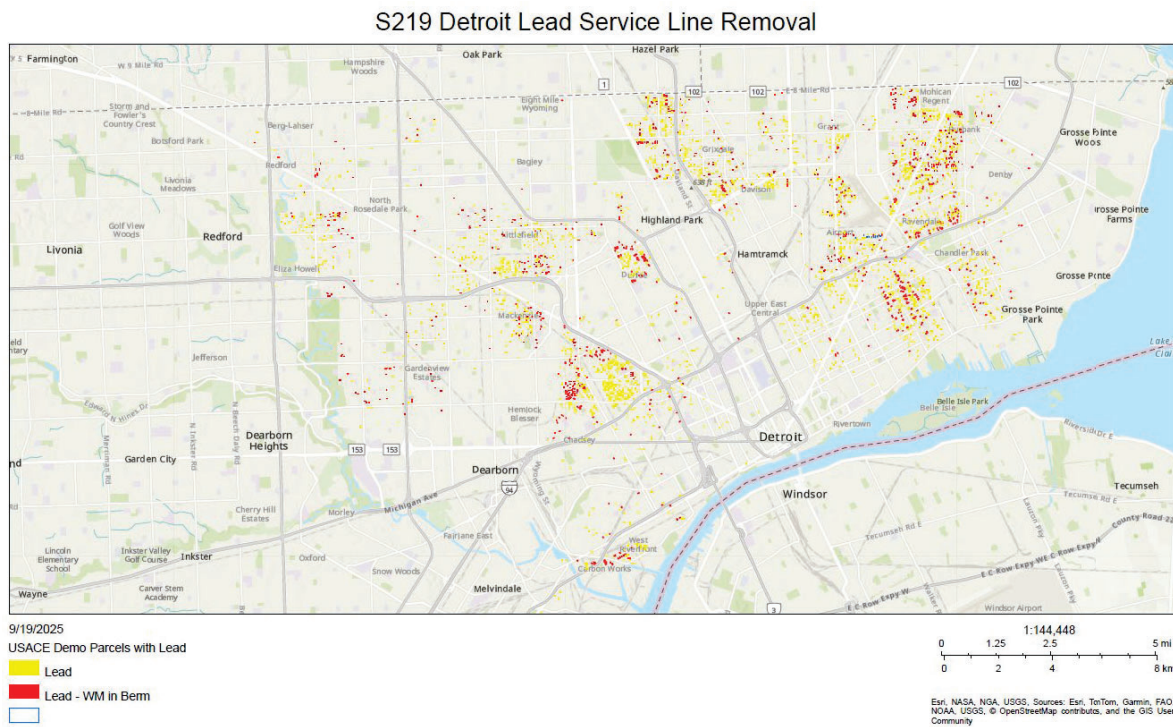


Figure 2. Lead Service Line Map