

Iowa American Water Invests \$1.6 million to Complete Water Transmission Main to Serve Blue Grass

Project will enhance water quality and provide additional supply for fire protection

DAVENPORT, IA. – DEC. 17, 2019 – Iowa American Water announced today that a \$1.6 million infrastructure investment project to install over three miles of 12-inch water main to interconnect its Quad Cities’ water distribution system with the Blue Grass water system is now complete. The project allows water from the company’s water treatment facility in Davenport to flow into the Blue Grass community, which was previously served by three community wells.

“Our public/private partnership with Blue Grass is one we value, and we are pleased we were able to complete this important water transmission main investment project to benefit our Blue Grass customers ahead of schedule. This new water infrastructure allows us to enhance the quality of the drinking water we deliver to Blue Grass and provide additional water supply for the community’s fire protection,” said Randy Moore, president.

Blue Grass Mayor Larry Guy adds, “We have reached another milestone in the history of Blue Grass with the completion of the water transmission line. This is a major step in the process, and the importance of Iowa American Water flowing into Blue Grass is another step in the right direction to improve our community. Thanks to Iowa American Water for making this transition as easy and efficient as possible.”

Prior to the transition from Blue Grass well water to Iowa American water, the company conducted extensive testing of the electronic controls and valves associated with the new pipeline to assure the water supply could be fully operated and remotely controlled from its East River Station Treatment Facility in Davenport. In an effort to expedite the water turnover process from well water to Iowa American water, crews performed overnight flushing of the Blue Grass water distribution system to lessen any inconvenience to Blue Grass customers.

Throughout the entire transition, all facets of water quality were closely monitored to ensure its safety. Iowa American Water has a comprehensive quality program in place that ensures the water delivered to customers’ taps meets or surpasses stringent quality standards established by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Iowa Department of Natural Resources. For more information about Iowa American Water, visit www.iowaamwater.com.

About Iowa American Water

Iowa American Water, a subsidiary of American Water (NYSE: AWK), is the largest investor-owned water utility in the state, providing high-quality and reliable water services to approximately 212,000 people. With a history dating back to 1886, American Water is the largest and most geographically diverse U.S. publicly traded water and wastewater utility company. The company employs more than 7,100 dedicated professionals who provide regulated and market-based drinking water, wastewater and other related services to more than 14 million people in 46 states. American Water provides safe, clean, affordable and reliable water services to our customers to make sure we keep their lives flowing. For more information, visit amwater.com and follow American Water on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [LinkedIn](#).

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