

# Major water improvements coming to Sterling

Loudoun Water will begin a major upgrade of Sterling's water system late next year. "This project has been in the works for a long time and will ensure that the people of Sterling have plenty of water for many years to come," said Supervisor Delgaudio, "This is a great example of Loudoun County working proactively with Loudoun Water to keep the infrastructure in our community up to date."

Two years ago, Loudoun Water installed a large water pipeline from Route 7 down Sterling Blvd. to Holly Avenue as Phase 1 of the \$21 million project and replaced the entire

service road for the sections they tore up.

The new water line will cut down Sterling Blvd. from W Holly Ave. to Davis Dr. Much of the construction will take place on the sides of the road, minimizing the impact on traffic. Workers will also tunnel under major intersections on Sterling Blvd. to avoid major traffic disruptions.

This project will reinforce rather than replace Sterling's current water network with a new high-transmission pipe, easing the strain on the existing pipes and noticeably increasing the water pressure throughout Sterling. -TDR



## Silver Line Phase 1 opens, new Sterling bus routes

Phase 1 of the Silver Line is now open, and bus lines all across the region are adjusting their routes to provide service to the new Metro hubs.

Loudoun County Transit is no exception. In fact, not only has Loudoun County Transit had to drastically adjust its commuter routes, it has had to take over the local bus service in eastern Loudoun from Virginia Regional Transit.

Two general types of bus service operate in Sterling: commuter routes and local routes.

### **Commuter Bus Service: Park & Ride to Metro & DC**

Not only did Sterling's commuter bus routes change, the entire system was overhauled when the Metro's Silver Line opened on July 26th.

Eastern Loudoun Park & Ride commuter service has been divided into two different routes. The western route (Christian Fellowship Church, Dulles North, and Ashburn North) still runs directly to DC/Pentagon, while the eastern route (Broad Run Farms, Algonkian, Cascades, and Lowe's Island) connects to the Silver Line.

Bus fares for the Silver Line connectors will fall to as low as \$1, but peak Metro fare into and out of DC will cost \$5.90 per trip.

In addition to the current lots, Sterling commuters will  
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