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Lead Service Line Funding & Inventory Data Management Innovations

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What is GEFA?

- The Mission of the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority (GEFA) is to conserve and protect Georgia's energy, land, and water resources.
- GEFA has provided more than \$5 billion in low-interest loans and has funded approximately 2,000 projects.
- Eligible Borrowers:
 - Counties and municipalities
 - Local water, sewer, and sanitary districts
 - State and local authorities, boards, and political subdivisions created by the General Assembly.



GEFA's Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Funding

Funding Year	DW Base	DW Supplemental	DW Emerging Contaminants	DW LSLR
FY2022	\$16,513,000	\$42,400,000	\$17,804,000	\$66,808,000
FY2023	\$13,389,000	\$57,090,000	\$20,716,000	\$28,650,000

Funding Year	CW Base	CW Supplemental	CW Emerging Contaminants
FY2022	\$19,563,000	\$30,092,000	\$1,581,000
FY2023	\$12,683,000	\$35,242,000	\$3,596,000



Lead Service Line Funding Goals

FY 2022 ALLOCATION	FY 2023 ALLOCATION
Cap Grant: \$66,808,000	Cap Grant: \$28,665,000
 Set-Asides: \$18.7 M 204 Grants to Communities Contract with GRWA to complete inventory for 18 communities < 300 lines Contract with 120 Water to develop an inventory database, mapping portal, and provide training to communities (1 CEU) 	 Set-Asides: \$8.9 M 120 Grants to Communities Contract with GRWA to provide technical assistance to communities < 10,000 pop. Contract with 120 Water to provide a 3-year mapping portal to communities.
❖ Construction Loans: \$46 M	❖ Construction Loans: \$19.8 M



Georgia's Service Line Inventory Progress

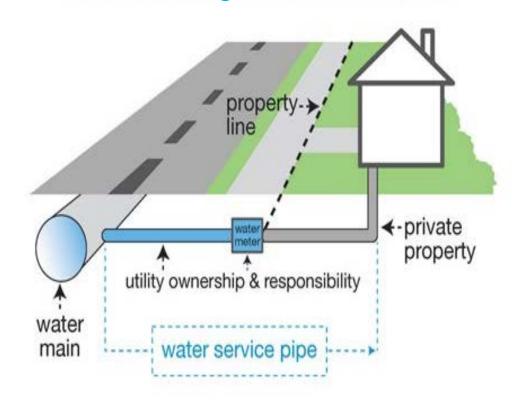
☐ Total Systems Reporting in Georgia: 1910

- ✓ Systems with Inventories Started: 39
- ✓ Systems Registered for Training: 297
- ✓ Systems Trained & Provided Portal Access: 74

□Standard Service Line Installation

- ✓ Typical water service lines are buried 18 to 30 inches deep
- ✓ Most homes are built on slab foundations
- ✓ Water meters are located in the road right-of-way

Understanding Your Service Line





LSL Program Challenges

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❖ Water Systems:

- ✓ Small and disadvantaged communities are unaware or confused in regard to the new LCRR regulations;
- ✓ Reluctance to have ownership of the customer side of the service line;
- ✓ Limited staff resources to complete the inventory;
- ✓ Systems lack financial resources to complete the inventory and are in a state of noncompliance (Financial Audits);
- ✓ Limited Contractor availability to perform potholing or replacement;
- ✓ Community lack of leadership or restructuring;
- ✓ Increasing "Pockets of Poverty" within Communities.



LSL Program Strengths

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- ***** Water Systems:
 - ✓ Grants/Loans to a vast majority of small & disadvantaged communities;
 - FY2022 204 Communities & FY2023 120 Communities
 - 22 New Loans to new GEFA communities
 - ✓ Technical Assistance to complete inventories for communities with <300 lines;
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 - ✓ FREE Accessibility to an online mapping portal for communities without GIS.

State:

- ✓ Centralized Service Line Inventory Data Management Portal;
- ✓ Offers Statewide Transparency Map of all service lines;
- ✓ Reporting functionality on actual inventory/replacement costs and compliance.







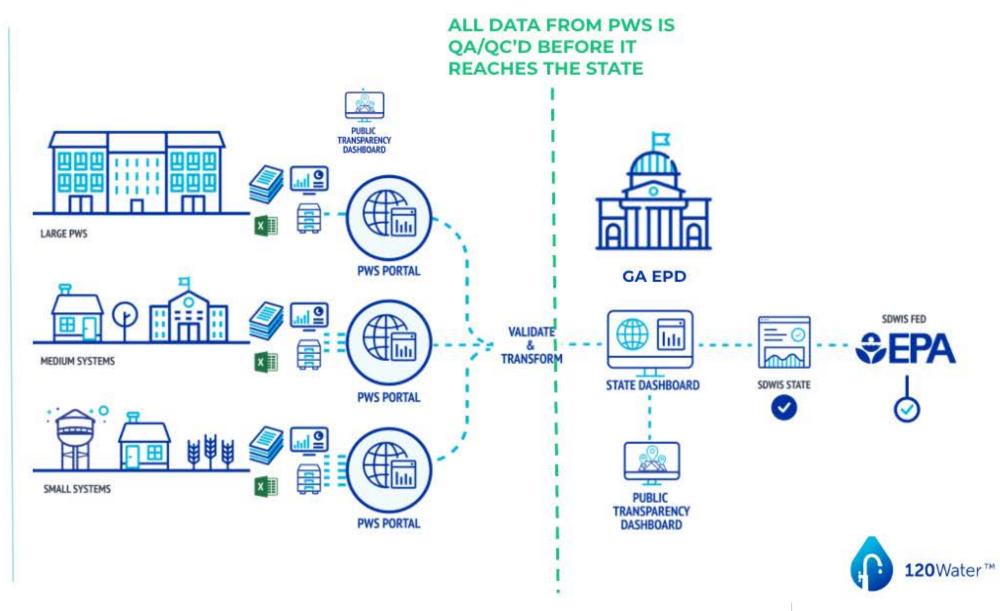


- Easily manage and upload SL data & documents.
- Validate data before it reaches the State.
- Public Transparency Dashboard, Optional.



- Easily review SL submissions.
- Automate workflows.
- Integrate with SDWIS & other internal IT.
- Public Transparency Dashboard, Optional.

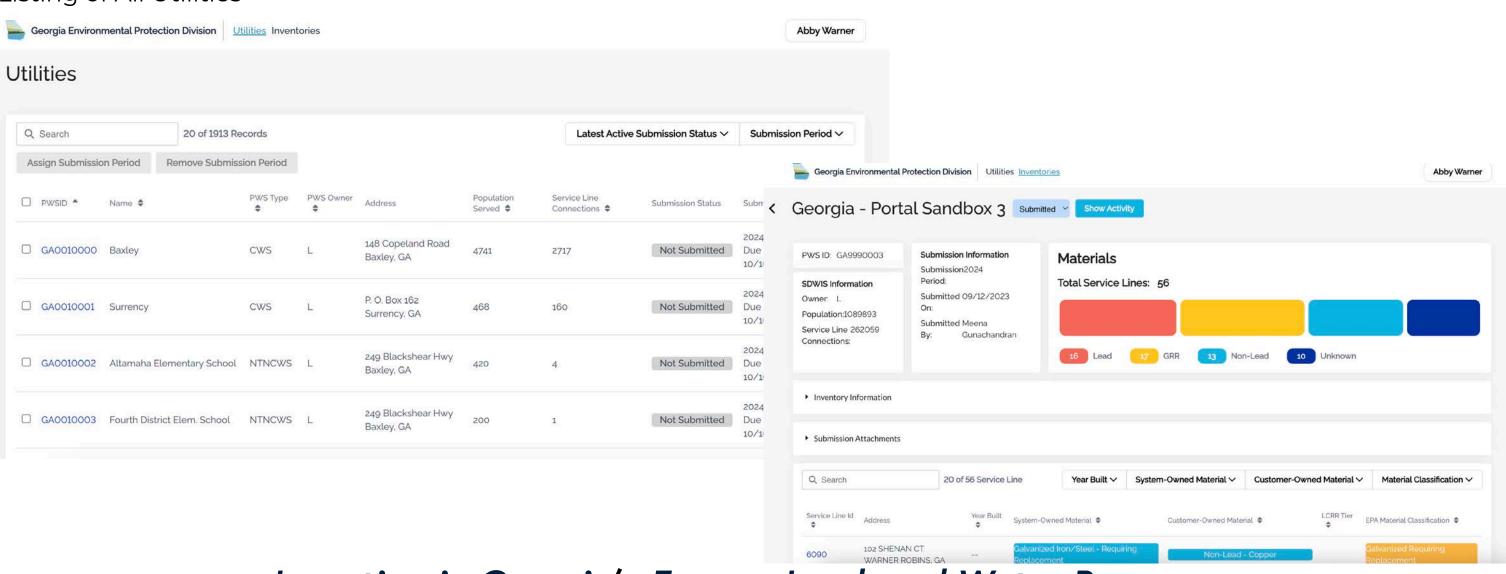
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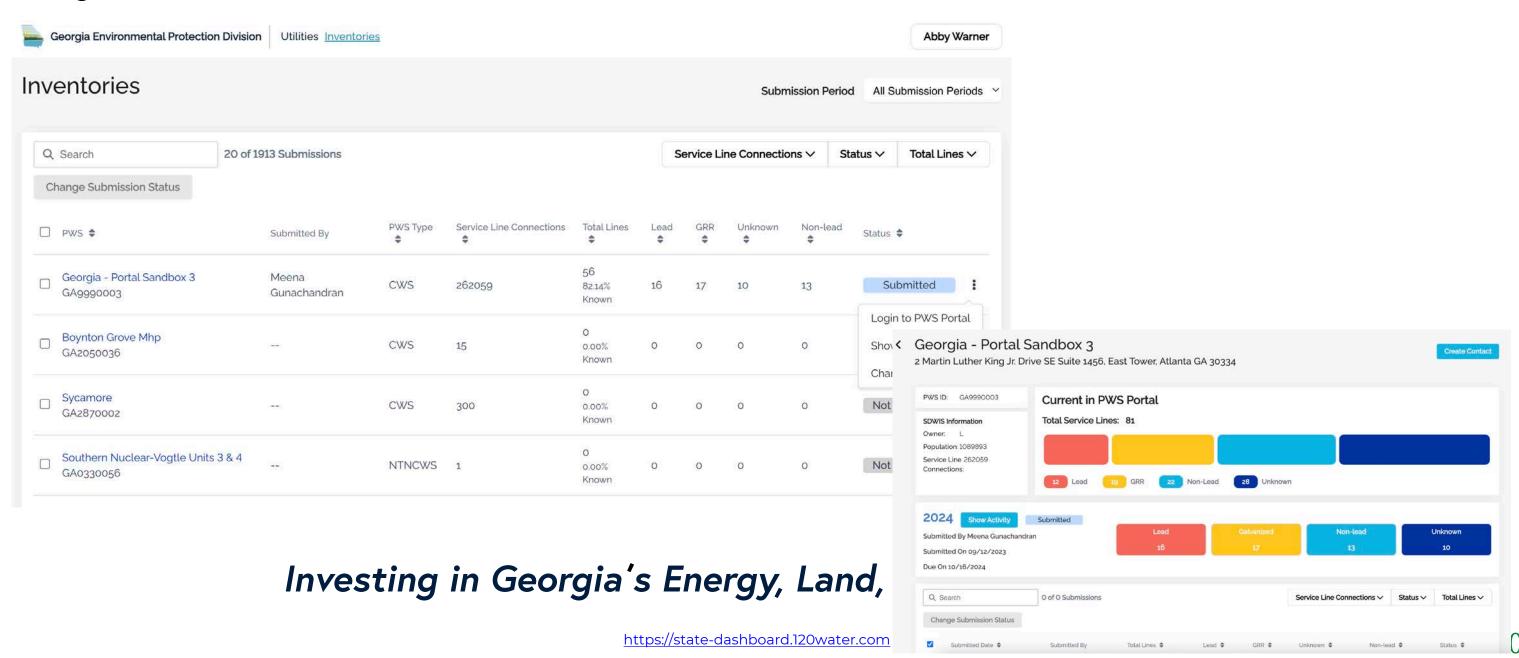
Listing of All Utilities





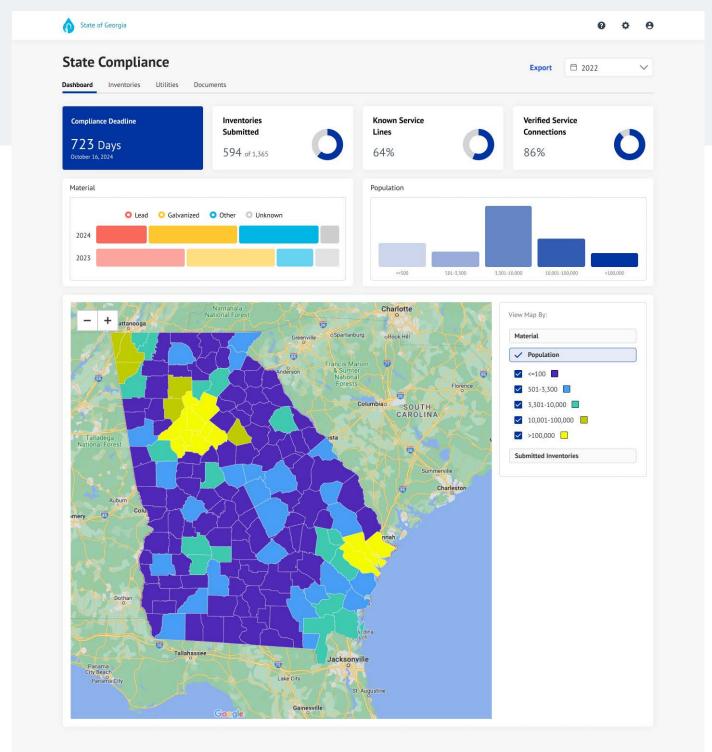


Listing of All Inventories





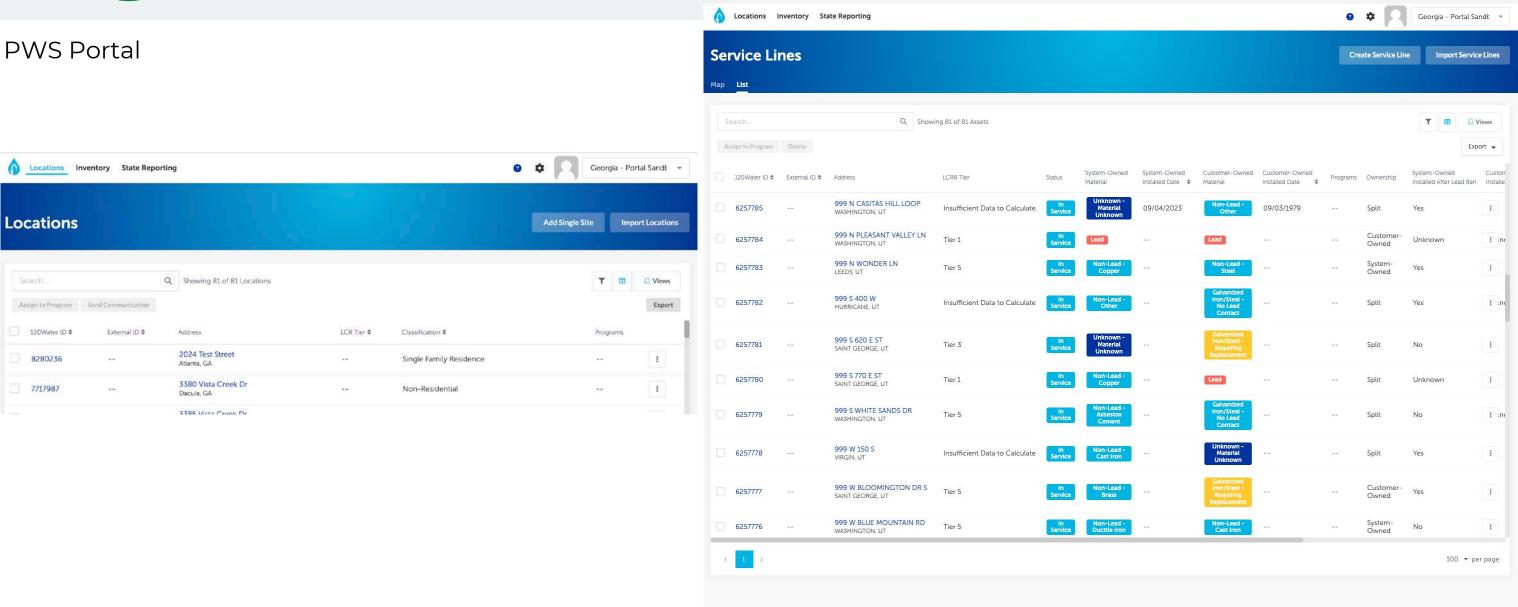
Dashboard with KPIs



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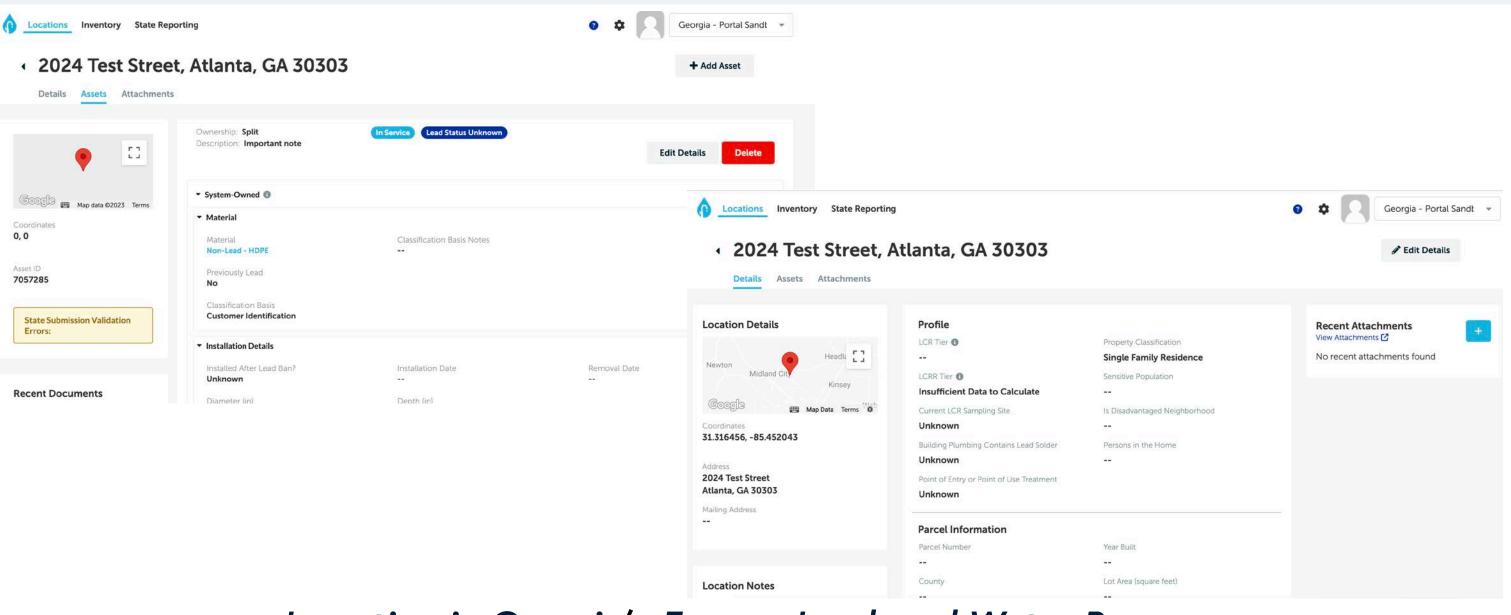




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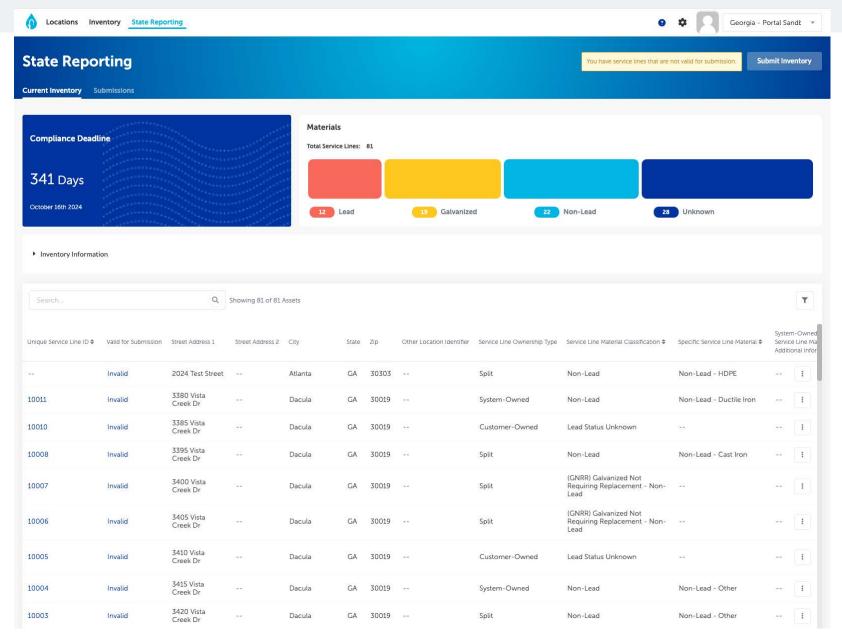


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