

160 homes lose water after landslide in Pleasanton

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Weeks of rain triggered a small landslide Friday morning on the Pleasanton Ridge that destroyed a water main supplying 160 homes.

City officials said the homes would be without potable water at least until Sunday. More rain, which is expected, could slow the process.

"Mother Nature is making it difficult, but we're doing everything we can," said Daniel Smith, director of operations for the city.

There appeared to be no injuries or damage to private property, Smith said.

Smith said that a storage reservoir still supplied some water to the homes, but the water was not safe for drinking.

Most of the homes are within the city limits. Others are in unincorporated Alameda County but receive water from Pleasanton. The ridge runs on the west side of Pleasanton.