Water main break damages Hwy. 50 in Stateline



Crews work to shore up Highway 50 on Aug. 10 after a water main break. Photo/Susan Wood

A water main break in Stateline caused a portion of Highway 50 to wash away on Thursday afternoon.

"Thousands of gallons of water washed away portions of the roadway base gravel and water flowed to lower Olivers," Eric Guevin with Tahoe Douglas Fire Protection District told Lake Tahoe News.

Lakeside Inn was the only business affected, but has water service now.

Kingsbury General Improvement District crews were able to stop the flow fairly quickly. The cause of the break is unknown.

KGID along with Nevada Department of Transportation are patching the road for now. More permanent repairs will be forthcoming. Traffic headed west on the evening of Aug. 10 was backed up quite a ways while crews were working.

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