

September 14, 2021

Administration and Council Village of Beechy Box 153 BEECHY, SK SOL OCO

Dear Waterworks Owner/Operator,

This letter is to advise you that a **Precautionary Drinking Water Advisory (PDWA)** has been placed on the residents and users of the Village of Beechy's treated water distribution system, and is effective Immediately September 14, 2021 at 2:00 PM until further notice.

Water Security Agency protocol is to place water distribution systems under a PDWA when they experience a depressurization as a result of a water main break. This Precautionary Drinking Water Advisory will remain in effect until the safety of the Village's water supply can be ensured. Therefore, the administration shall notify all users of the distribution system of the conditions in the attached PDWA poster.

The following conditions will need to be met prior to the removal of the Precautionary Drinking Water Advisory:

- 1) The water main is repaired, and the distribution system is re-pressurized and flushed (if possible).
- 2) Chlorine residuals at the water treatment plant and throughout the distribution system are stable and within regulatory limits.
- 3) The receipt of two consecutive sets of three (6 total) bacteriological samples, collected 24 hours apart from representative locations within the water distribution system, which are analyzed and found to be negative for bacteriological presence. Samples are to be marked as "Other" and labeled with the appropriate station number to expedite their processing. These samples will not count towards sampling compliance.

Thank you for your cooperation in this regard. For further information please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at 240-4522.

Sincerely,

Morgan Gutek

Environmental Project Officer

Environmental and Municipal Management Division, Water Security Agency

Cc: Roger Miller, Manager - Water Security Agency Sask. Health Authority - Rosetown Office

Water Advisories - Water Security Agency, Regina



Precautionary Drinking Water Advisory

This Advisory applies to residents and users of <u>the Village of Beechy's treated water</u> <u>distribution system</u> and is <u>effective IMMEDIATELY September 14th, 2021 at 2:00 PM</u> until further notice.

Pursuant to clause 36(1)(a) of *The Environmental Management and Protection Act 2010* this Precautionary Drinking Water Advisory is issued <u>due to a depressurization resulting from a water main break</u> and therefore the safety of the Village's drinking water supply cannot be ensured at all times. Pursuant to Clause 36(1) (b) of *The Environmental Management and Protection Act 2010*, consumers must be notified to:

- (a) boil all water, used for drinking purposes, for at least one (1) minute, at a rolling boil, prior to use;
- (b) boil water to be used for other activities where it may be ingested, including:
 - (i) brushing teeth or soaking false teeth;
 - (ii) washing fruits and vegetables;
 - (iii) food or drink which will not be subsequently heated; and
 - (iv) ice cubes;
- (c) not use the water for washing dishes, unless the water has been boiled or the dishes are sanitized in another fashion. Washed dishes and utensils can be soaked in a bleach water solution (approximately 2 tablespoons of bleach per gallon or 10 ml of bleach per liter of water) for at least two minutes after being washed to kill any bacteria which may be present.
 - Note: Do not mix bleach with soaps or detergents.
- (d) not drink from any public drinking fountains supplied with water from the public water supply;
- (e) ensure that younger children and infants are sponge bathed;
- (f) use an alternative water source known to be safe, if they do not wish to boil the water; and
- (g) consult with your physician if you have cuts or rashes that are severe before using the water.

Under most circumstances, there is no need to boil water used for other household purposes. Adults, adolescents and older children may shower, bathe or wash using tap water but should avoid swallowing the water. Laundry may be washed in tap water, either by hand or by machine.

This Advisory is effective on the **date and time listed above** and will not be lifted until the water supply is determined to be completely safe.

If you require any additional information, please contact the following:

Village Contact 306 – 859 - 2205 Water Security Agency EPO 306 – 240 - 4522 Sask Health Authority – Rosetown Office 306 – 867-8676 ext. 406

For media inquiries, please contact <u>comm@wsask.ca</u> and request to speak to a media spokesperson. Please be sure to identify your name, media outlet and contact information.

Environmental Project Officer