



BOIL ADVISORY

DRINKING WATER WARNING

Disease-causing organisms may have entered Dayton Public Water System water supply

BOIL YOUR WATER BEFORE USING OR USE BOTTLED WATER

DATE: August 3, 2020 at Approximately 2:15 PM

Due to a large water main break near 900 Ottawa Street, it is possible that organisms that cause illness in people may have entered the water supply.

• **DO NOT DRINK THE WATER WITHOUT FLUSHING AND BOILING IT FIRST.** Flush all taps used for drinking and cooking for at least 3 minutes. Bring all water to a boil, let it boil for at least one minute, and let it cool before using, **or use bottled water**. Boiled or bottled water should be used for drinking, making ice, brushing teeth, washing dishes, and food preparation until further notice. Boiling kills bacteria and other organisms in the water.

Dayton Public Water System has no evidence at this time that the water system is contaminated. The possibility, however, does exist that the water system is contaminated and is issuing this advisory as a precaution.

Additional Water Quality Advisory

As a standard practice the USEPA recommends the following actions to reduce possible lead exposure in drinking water:

- If water has not been used for several hours, run the tap until there is a noticeable temperature drop. Then, run water for 30 seconds to 3 minutes before using it for drinking and cooking. This helps flush water that may have contained lead that may have leached from plumbing.
- Use cold water for cooking, drinking, and preparing baby formula. Boiling the water will not reduce lead.
- Clean your faucet aerator regularly.

What is being done?

We are investigating and taking the necessary steps to correct the problem as soon as possible. Water Department employees begin sampling for purity as soon as the water pressure is restored. The testing is to insure that there are no harmful bacteria present in the water distribution system. "ALL CLEAR" notifications will be delivered to your door as soon as the test results have cleared. Typically, this occurs within 48 hours after your water service his restored. When the water service is restored, you may have to purge air from the water lines and your water may be discolored. Please run the cold water until the air and discoloration is removed, and before using the water in your washing machine. Check the hot water after the cold.

For more information, please contact the Division of Water Distribution at 937-333-4900 or by mail to Water

Distribution 945 Ottawa Street., Dayton OH 45402.

For additional information general guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes or lead exposure are available from the EPA Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1(800) 426-4791 or visit <u>Drinktap.org</u> and <u>www.epa.gov/safewater.</u>

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

Affected Areas: E. Monument to the north; Edwin C. Moses to the west; Stewart St. to the south; south on





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S. Main; east on Irving; south on Wilmington; east on Patterson; north on Russet; west on Linden; north on Smithville; west on Burkhart; north on N. Findlay to E. Monument.

Five Oaks: 5 Oaks to the north; Salem to the west; W. Riverview to the south and Forest to the east.