

LOCALIZED DRINKING WATER WARNING

A localized area of the City of Flint water is contaminated with fecal coliform
BOIL YOUR WATER BEFORE USING

Fecal coliform bacteria were found in the water supply on August 14, 2014. These bacteria can make you sick, and are a particular concern for people with weakened immune systems.

What should I do? What does this mean?

DO NOT DRINK THE WATER WITHOUT BOILING IT FIRST. Bring all water to a boil, let it boil for 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 preparing food. Boiling kills bacteria and other organisms in the water. Continue using boiled or bottled water until further notice. This boil notice is limited to the area bordered by Mann Hall Ave. (North), Mann Ave. (East), Whitney Ave. (South) and the City limits (West).

This boil water notice is only for the affected area. The Water Treatment Plant tests verify that the overall system is operating within DEQ drinking water standards.

Fecal coliforms and E. coli are bacteria whose presence indicates that the water may be contaminated with human or animal wastes. Microbes in these wastes can cause diarrhea, cramps, nausea, headaches, or other symptoms. They may pose a special health risk for infants, young children, some of the elderly, and people with severely compromised immune systems.

The symptoms above are not caused only by organisms in drinking water. If you experience any of these symptoms and they persist, you may want to seek medical advice. People at increased risk should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers.

What happened? What is being done?

3 routine samples tested total coliform positive, repeat samples were also total coliform positive as well as 1 fecal coliform positive. We are increasing our chlorine levels and flushing the system. We will inform you when tests show no bacteria and you no longer need to boil your water. We anticipate resolving the problem within a few days.

For more information, please contact Mr. Brent Wright of the City of Flint at 810-787-6537, bwright@cityofflint.com, 4500 North Dort Highway, Flint MI 48505 or Daugherty Johnson Utilities Administrator (810) 766-7135 ext 2602. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from the EPA Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1(800) 426-4791.

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.

This notice is being sent to you as a precautionary measure by the City of Flint.

CERTIFICATION:

WSSN: 02310

I certify that this water supply has fully complied with the public notification requirements in the Michigan Safe Drinking Water Act, 1976 PA 399, as amended, and the administrative rules.

Signature 

Title PLANT SUPERVISOR

Date Distributed 8/15/2014

Reminder to water supplier. This notice / certification must be sent to the DNRE.