

Shelbyville Municipal Water & Sewer Commission
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December 5, 2018

Boil Water Advisory

FOR: 1521, 1533, 1545, 1534, 1536 and 1538 Midland Trail.
20 thru 40 Mack Walters Road.

Dear Customer,

The Water and Sewer Commission has experienced a water main leak in your area. To make the correction, we had to shut down your water to make the repair. During the repair, there is a potential that contamination could occur, as the pressure will drop below 20 psi due to the extent of the repair. For this reason, you are placed on a **Boil Water Advisory from 12AM (MIDNIGHT December 6, 2018 till further notice.**

WHAT SHOULD I DO ? WHAT DOES THIS MEAN ?

Although there is no contamination at this time, as a precautionary measure we are requesting that you boil your water. **DO NOT DRINK THE WATER WITHOUT BOILING IT FIRST.** Bring all water to a rolling boil, let it boil for 3 minutes, and let it cool before using it, or use bottle 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 that may be in the water.

We will advise you when the water is safe to consume. After the work was completed, we flushed out the system, and then took samples for Total Coliform bacteria at different locations. The sample results will not be available until 24 hours after testing is started. The following information is for your knowledge and is required by the EPA:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) sets drinking water standards and requirements. Due to the system being shut down, pressure will drop below 20 psi, then contamination is possible, and the presence of coli form bacteria may exist because of the low pressure. Total Coliform bacteria in drinking water, however, generally is a result of a problem with water treatment, or the pipes which distribute the water indicates that the water may be contaminated with organisms that can cause disease. Disease for infants, young children, the elderly, and people with severely compromised immune systems. These symptoms, are not just associated with disease causing organisms in drinking water, but may also be caused by a number of factors other than your 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.

If testing reveals the presence of coli form bacteria after samples are taken a “**Boil Water NOTICE**” would be issued. Regular bacterial testing would then be required by the Kentucky Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection cabinet.

If you have any question s, don't hesitate to call our office at 502 633-2840.
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