

DRINKING WATER WARNING BOIL YOUR WATER BEFORE USING

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Customers may be at increased risk from microbial contamination.

Water Authority personnel will be working on a water main leak beginning Thursday, September 15, 2022. As a result, there is an increased chance that the water may contain disease-causing organisms. Therefore, as a precaution, the Authority is issuing this notice. This boil water advisory will go into effect for all customers except customers in Rush Township.

WHAT SHOULD I DO?

DO NOT DRINK THE WATER WITHOUT BOILING IT FIRST. Bring all water to a rolling boil, let it boil for one minute, and let it cool before using, or use bottled water. You should use boiled or bottled water for drinking, making ice, washing dishes, brushing teeth, and food preparation until further notice.

Inadequately treated water may contain disease-causing organisms. These organisms include bacteria, viruses, and parasites, which can cause symptoms such as nausea, cramps, diarrhea, and associated headaches.

These symptoms, however, are not caused only by organisms in drinking water, but also by other factors. If you experience any of these symptoms and they persist, you may want to seek medical advice.

People with severely compromised immune systems, infants, and some elderly may be at increased risk. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791

After the work is completed, and water service is restored, water samples will be taken in the distribution system. The water samples will be taken to an independent lab to be tested for bacteria.

We will inform you when two consecutive days of sampling indicate the water is safe to drink and when you no longer need to boil your water.

For more information, please contact:

Tamaqua Area Water Authority
320 E. Broad St.
Tamaqua, Pa. 18252
570-668-0300

Or

Still Creek Water Treatment Plant
570-668-6319

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 sent to you by the Tamaqua Area Water Authority

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