



February 16, 2023

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Town of Foam Lake
Box 57
Foam Lake, SK S0A 1A0

Attention: Waterworks Owner

RE: Precautionary Drinking Water Advisory – Town of Foam Lake (Portion Only)

The Water Security Agency (WSA), has advised that the Town of Foam Lake issue a **“Precautionary Drinking Water Advisory”** to a portion of the Town’s distribution system in the Town of Foam Lake.

A precautionary drinking water advisory is required due to water main repairs in which an area of Town must be isolated and depressurized in order to complete the work. Therefore, WSA is issuing a “Precautionary Drinking Water Advisory” (PDWA) for the users of Foam Lake’s potable water system at the 400 block of Royal Street.

This advisory goes in effect Thursday February 16, 2023, at 9:00am for the specific users as listed above and will be in effect until further notice. Therefore, I ask that the Town of Foam Lake’s administration notify all the effected users of the drinking water distribution system at these locations that they boil the water used for drinking purposes for at least one minute prior to use. Bottled water can be a safe alternative.

This **“Precautionary Drinking Water Advisory”** shall remain in effect until the water is bacteriologically free and safe for consumption. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at (306) 621-2230.

This advisory can be rescinded following:

- 1) The repair work has been completed, and the line re-pressurized.
- 2) The distribution system is disinfected and flushed according to applicable standards.
- 3) The receipt of two (2) consecutive sets of one (1) bacteriological sample collected one day apart and marked as “other” along with chlorine and turbidity results, that are negative for bacteriological growth in the final treated potable water being supplied throughout the distribution system mentioned above.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Sheichuk".

Rick Sheichuk
Environment Officer
Water Security Agency

cc: Greg Holovach, WSA
Gilbert Combres, SHA-Yorkton

Precautionary Drinking Water Advisory

This Advisory applies to residents and users located at the
400 block of Royal Street
and is effective: 9:00am, Thursday February 16, 2023

Pursuant to clause 36(1)(a) of *The Environmental Management and Protection Act 2010*, this Precautionary Drinking Water Advisory is issued due to water main repairs in which a portion of Town has to be isolated and depressurized in order to complete the work therefore, the safety of Foam Lake's drinking water supply (portion only) cannot be ensured at all times. Therefore, 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.

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Water Security Agency – Environmental and Municipal Management Services Division
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