

PRECAUTIONARY WATER QUALITY ADVISORY

OKANAGAN FALLS WATER SYSTEM EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 18, 2024 for

14th Ave / Brockie Place / Mimac Court

If you are receiving this notice, please be advised that on November 18, 2024, at 8:00 am the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen (RDOS) will be implementing a precautionary **Water Quality Advisory** for the following addresses in the Okanagan Falls water system:

- 14th Ave addresses 4669 to 4740
 - All addresses on Brockie Place
 - All addresses on Mimac Court

This advisory is in response to planned work on the water system in your local area which includes the potential for a water service interruption in the area. Once issued on November 18, this advisory will remain in effect until further notice.

What is a Water Quality Advisory?

A Water Quality Advisory is a level of notification below a Boil Water Notice. A Water Quality Advisory is used in situations where the general public health threat is modest.

Who may need additional protection?

- People with weakened immune systems
- People with chronic illnesses
- Infants and children
- The elderly
- People wishing to seek additional protection

Precautionary instructions

Individuals seeking additional protection are advised to use a safe alternate source of water or to boil water for all drinking, infant formula preparation, brushing teeth, food preparation/cooking purposes and ice making. Water should be brought to a full boil and allowed to boil for at least one minute.

In preparation for the potential water service shutdown, please ensure that you have an adequate supply of water on hand for domestic use.

Before using water on November 18, run your cold water tap for a couple of minutes to observe the physical water quality. Residents may observe some discolouration or sediment in the water. If you experience dirty water, run a cold water tap only, preferably an outside tap and/or garden hose until the water runs clear, weather permitting. If the water does not clear in 10 to 15 minutes, please contact the RDOS.

Minimizing the amount of hot water usage will limit the amount of sediments that could settle out in your hot water tank. Residents may also wish to isolate in-home treatment systems until turbidity has

decreased to normal levels. Residents should check the water quality before laundering clothing during this time to minimize potential staining or discolouration.

For further information, please contact RDOS Utilities at 250-490-4106 or 250-490-4135 during regular business hours, Monday through Friday.

For after-hours water emergencies, please call RDOS Regional Dispatch at 250-490-4141.

Thank you for your cooperation.

November 7, 2024 **RDOS Public Works**