

BOIL WATER NOTICE

The Unalakleet City Water System (PWS # 340387) has been placed on a Boil Water Notice due high turbidity in the water system. You may choose to boil their water for 2 minutes prior to consumption, drink bottled water or abstain from using the water until the boil water notice is lifted.

This BOIL WATER NOTICE is in effect from August 23, 2022 until further notice.

For more information please the City of Unalakleet at 907-624-3531 or the Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation office in Fairbanks at: 1-800-770-2137



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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

BOIL YOUR WATER 2 MINUTES BEFORE USING

Due to high turbidity levels in the drinking water, the Unalakleet Public Water System (PWSID # 340387) has been placed on a **BOIL WATER NOTICE** on **August 23, 2022**. Patrons may choose to use boiled or bottled water or abstain from using the water until the boil water notice is lifted. Due to inadequate treatment, there is an increased chance that the water may contain disease-causing organisms.

What should I do? What does it mean?

- **DO NOT DRINK THE WATER WITHOUT BOILING IT FIRST.** Bring all water to a boil, let it **boil for two minutes**, 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 food preparation until further notice. Boiling kills bacteria and other organisms that may be in the water.
- Turbidity has no health effects. However, turbidity can interfere with disinfection and provide a medium for microbial growth. Turbidity may indicate the presence of disease-causing organisms. These organisms include bacteria, viruses, and parasites that can cause symptoms such as nausea, cramps, diarrhea, and associated headaches.
- 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 from their health care providers about drinking this water.

What is being done?

The water system is working to bring turbidity levels down. The system will need to submit documentation of adequate water treatment for 10 days before the boil water notice can be lifted. **Consumers will be notified when the Boil Water Notice is lifted.**

Please share this information with all 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, public announcement, TV or distributing copies by hand or mail.

This notice is being sent to you by the Unalakleet Public Water System
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For more information, please contact the City of Unalakleet at 907-624-3531

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