

DRINKING WATER WARNING

**Woodland Road Water Main lost pressure and contamination may have occurred
BOIL YOUR WATER BEFORE USING**

Due to a drop in pressure in the **Woodland Road between 1st and 3rd Street** water supply, bacterial contamination may have occurred in the water system. Bacteria are generally not harmful and are common throughout our environment. Corrective measures are currently being undertaken to correct the situation.

What should I do?

DO NOT DRINK THE WATER WITHOUT BOILING IT FIRST. Bring all water to a boil, let it boil for one minute, 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 preparing food. Boiling kills bacteria and other organisms in the water. Continue using boiled or bottled water until further notice.

What happened? What is being done?

These precautionary actions are being taken due to the loss of water pressure in the water distribution system caused by a water main break. Whenever a water system loses pressure for any significant length of time, precautionary measures are recommended.

The Charter Township of Portage Maintenance Department has the pressure restored, and water staff will be taking other remedial actions such as flushing and collecting bacteriological samples from around the system. The samples will be collected to determine that the water quality meets the state drinking water standards. We will inform you when tests show no bacteria, and you no longer need to boil your water. The problem has been addressed.

This boil water notice shall remain in effect until results from the sampling verify the water is safe to drink. **Customers will be advised when the boil water advisory has been lifted.**

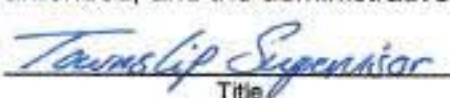
For more information, please contact Kody Maki (906)-281-1483 or Brandon Scholie (906)-281-2073 of Charter Township of Portage 47240 Green Acres Rd. Houghton, MI 49931 General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1(800) 426-4791.

CERTIFICATION: Charter Township of Portage

Kody Maki WSSN: 6120

I certify that this water supply has fully complied with the public notification requirements in the Michigan Safe Drinking Water Act, 1976 PA 399, as amended, and the administrative rules.


Signature


Township Supervisor
Title


Date Distributed