

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

## Health Advisory for TOWN OF PLEVNA MT0000307

### Water System is unable to provide required disinfection treatment

Our water system is currently experiencing treatment issues and unable to disinfect the water as required. Because the treatment isn't functioning as designed and required, this **Health Advisory is being issued as a precaution**. This is not an emergency but as our customers, you have a right to know what is happening, what you should do, and what we are doing to correct this situation.

This **Health Advisory** is precautionary. The Town of Plevna public water supply, is experiencing a loss of the required disinfection treatment. In an effort to protect public health, this **Health Advisory** has been issued. Bacteriological samples will be taken. Water system personnel are working diligently to complete the maintenance and restore pressure.

- *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 1-800-426-4791.*

#### What does this mean?

- Fecal coliform and E. coli are bacteria whose presence indicates that the water may be contaminated with human or animal wastes. Microbes in these wastes can cause diarrhea, cramps, nausea, headaches, or other symptoms. They may pose a special health risk for infants, young children, and people with severely compromised immune systems.
- 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 about drinking water from their health care providers. *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.*

#### What is being done?

- Bacteriological samples of the water will be collected. Water system personnel are closely monitoring the situation and will update users if anything changes.
- Treatment supplies have been ordered and the system will be repaired, operation of the system will resume as required.
- For more information, please contact Gary Thielen at 406-891-0523.
- General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from the EPA Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

*\*Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice.*

This notice is being sent to you by: The Town of Plevna  
State Water System ID#: MT0000307  
Contact: Gary Thielen - Mayor  
Date and Method: **XXXXXXX. Hand to residents.**

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