

**DRINKING WATER WARNING**  
**Do Not Use Water Advisory**  
**City of Max**

The City of Max recently learned about potential imminent health risks to the water supply posed by loss of pressure to the water distribution system caused by a power outage. Backflow may have occurred due to this loss of pressure and contaminants, or disease-causing organisms may have entered the distribution system. The potential seriousness of this situation warrants this public notice.

**DO NOT USE THE WATER**

Due to the loss of pressure to the distribution system caused by a power outage, the quality of the water in the system is not known at this time. Backflow into the system may have occurred and contaminants or disease-causing organisms may have entered the water distribution system.

**What should I do?**

- **DO NOT USE THE WATER. Only bottled water should be used for making infant formula.** Bottled water or alternative water should be used for drinking, making ice, brushing teeth, and preparing food. Pets should not drink the water.
- **Do not boil the water.** Boiling water will not destroy the contaminants that may be present. Some contaminants may become more concentrated or dangerous as a result of boiling.
- **Alternative water should be used for bathing, washing hands, washing dishes and doing laundry.**
- The water may be used for flushing toilets.
- If you have consumed the water and have any health concerns you should contact your health care provider.

**What happened? What is being done?**

**Loss of pressure to the water distribution system has occurred due to a power outage;** therefore, there is a potential for waterborne disease. The City of Max will continue to monitor the condition of the distribution system and will collect samples to determine water quality.

The Do Not Use Water Advisory will remain in effect until the water system has been adequately flushed and samples indicate that the water is safe to use. It is not known at this time how long this may take. The health and safety of the public is our priority.

**WE WILL INFORM YOU WHEN THE WATER IS SAFE TO USE.**

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartment, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

For further information, please contact the City of Max at: 701-679-2770

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