



Media Release

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Boil Water Notice issued and Water Conservation Measures rescinded for the Fauquier Water System

Nelson, BC: The Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) has issued a **BOIL WATER NOTICE** for users on **the Fauquier Water System**. The system is located in the community of Fauquier, within RDCK Electoral Area K. Fauquier is on the east side of Lower Arrow Lake. The Needles Ferry landing is part of the Fauquier Water System.

The **BOIL WATER NOTICE** has been issued due to the need for bypassing the water treatment plant to increase system capacity and meet the demand of wildfire mitigation efforts in the community.

The Stage 2 Water Conservation Measures currently in place for Fauquier have also been rescinded so that properties may utilize water as directed by emergency operations crews.

The RDCK and Interior Health recommend that all customers drink boiled water or a safe alternative until further notice. Water intended for drinking, washing fruits and vegetables, making beverages or ice, or brushing teeth should be boiled for one minute. Boiled water should then be refrigerated in a clean, covered container. Customers could also choose to use bottled or distilled water.

Owners of all public facilities must post a **BOIL WATER NOTICE** at all sinks or drinking water fountains accessible to the public (alternatively, public fountains and taps may be turned off). As opportunities arise, they must also advise their clientele verbally of the **BOIL WATER NOTICE**.

The RDCK will be taking measures to reduce risk; water quality will be monitored and the public will be notified when the RDCK is able to lift the Boil Water Notice.

We apologize for any inconvenience this might cause, and appreciate your cooperation and patience during this time. **For more information contact the RDCK (250) 352-8192 or visit our website at www.rdck.ca/water.**

Incorporated in 1965, the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) is a local government that serves 60,000 residents in 11 electoral areas and nine member municipalities. The RDCK provides more than 160 services, including community facilities, fire protection and emergency services, grants, planning and land use, regional parks, resource recovery and handling, transit, water services and much more. For more information about the RDCK, visit www.rdck.ca.

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