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BOIL WATER NOTICE

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable.
Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

BOIL YOUR WATER BEFORE USING

Failure to follow this advisory could result in stomach or intestinal illness.

Due to the temporary shut-down of the Holtville water plant (in order to isolate and repair ruptured 14" trunk main on 4th Street/Fern Ave, as well as a broken 6" section of water main on Walnut Ave between 5th and 7th Streets that occurred at approximately 9AM Tuesday morning), the California Department of Public Health in conjunction with the Imperial County Health Department, and City of Holtville Water System are advising residents all Holtville water customers to use boiled tap water or bottled water for drinking and cooking purposes as a safety precaution.

DO NOT DRINK THE WATER WITHOUT BOILING IT FIRST. Bring all water to a boil, **let it boil for one (1) minute**, and let it cool before using, or use bottled water. Boiled or bottled water should be used for drinking and food preparation **until further notice**. Boiling kills bacteria and other organisms in the water. This is the preferred method to assure that the water is safe to drink.

Optional alternative to include for prolonged situations where it fits.

- An alternative method of disinfection for residents that are not able to boil their water is to use fresh, unscented, liquid household bleach. To do so, add 8 drops (or 1/8 teaspoon) of bleach per gallon of clear water or 16 drops (or 1/4 teaspoon) per gallon of cloudy water, mix thoroughly, and allow it to stand for 30 minutes before using. A chlorine-like taste and odor will result from this disinfection procedure and is an indication that adequate disinfection has taken place.
- Water disinfection tablets may also be used by following the manufacturer's instructions.

We will inform you when tests show that water is safe to drink and you no longer need to boil your water. We anticipate resolving the problem within 7 working days.

For more information call:

Water Utility contact: Frank Cornejo – Waterworks Supervisor- 760-356-3186

California Department of Public Health – Drinking Water Field Operations Branch- District Office at 619-645-2573

Imperial County Health Department : 760-336-8530

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 apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.