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**NEWS RELEASE
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**
April 17th, 2023 5:30pm

***Water Main Break Affects Town of Ennis Residents
Emergency Repairs Underway / DEQ Boil Advisory***

April 17th 2023 5:30 pm: Two additional water main breaks have occurred in town, one on East Main Street in Downtown Ennis and the other on West Williams Street. The areas affected are East Main Street east of North Second Street and West Williams Street.

Public Works crews are on site and working to repair the damaged lines. The first line planned to be repaired will be East Main Street and the second will be West Williams Street. Crews plan on working throughout the night and repairs are anticipated to be completed by tomorrow morning.

A BOIL ADVISORY only for the affected homes and businesses will be in effect until water samples are analyzed. If you do not have water at the time of this press release you are affected.

We apologize for the inconvenience; these were not planned repairs.

For immediate updates please visit the Town of Ennis's web page at www.ennismontana.org

Updated information will be provided as the situation unfolds.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Boil Water Advisory

for

The Town of Ennis

MT0000208

Water System Water may be Contaminated

On 4/17/2023 our water system experienced a water main break which could have resulted in contamination of the water supply. Because of the loss of pressure, it is unknown if contaminants could have infiltrated the distribution system. This is a precautionary **BOIL WATER ADVISORY** and as our customers, you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we are doing to correct this situation.

This **Boil Water Advisory** is precautionary. The town of Ennis public water supply has experienced a loss of pressure due to a water main break. Water system personnel are working diligently to get the water main repaired and disinfected. Your cooperation is needed. Please adhere to the advisory until further notice.

What should I do?

- **Boil your water.**
- *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?

- As a precaution boil the water before consuming until advised otherwise.
- *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?

- Repair work is being done in order to restore water to the community.
- Bacteriological samples of the water will be collected.
- Personnel are closely monitoring the situation and will update users.
- 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 Town of Ennis

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Contact: Ennis Public Works 406-682-4287

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