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NEWS RELEASE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE May 9th, 2023 6:00 am

Water Valve Repair Will Affect Town of Ennis Residents Repairs Complete – Additional Work- BOIL ADVISORY

<u>May 9th 2023 6:00 am:</u> The water valve replacement has been completed and all those affected should have water service. A Boil Advisory has been issued only for the customers affected by the water service disruption.

Water service may be briefly disrupted today to complete the repairs that were worked on throughout the night. This only applies to the customers affected last night.

Once the water samples have been deemed safe by the DEQ the Boil Advisory will be lifted.

Construction and repair work will continue for up to three days at the Main Street and First Street intersection, expect detours and possible delays. Weather permitting on May 18th, 2023 scheduled road repairs will be made to all the areas along East Main Street that have been affected by the recent digging.

Ennis Public Works is diligently working on water and sewer maintenance to ensure the Town's water and sewer system functions as designed. Please slow down near the work zones and be patient while the maintenance takes place. We apologize for the inconvenience.

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 5/8/2023 our water system experienced water line valve repair 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 1-800-4264791.

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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