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## August 30, 2021

Citizens of Libby,

The City of Libby, along with Noble Excavating will be shutting down the water supply on **September** 13<sup>th</sup> at **10pm**. **This shut down is expected to last approximately 6 hours**. During this outage, Noble Excavating will be performing and completing the installation of a portion of the transmission main from the treatment plant to Cedar Street pressure reducing station.

We recommend filling storage containers for use during the outage.

Water heaters either propane or electric should be shutoff. Propane water heaters should be re started by a professional.

Once service is restored your water may look dirty, so flush your system until the water clears up. You also may want to clean your aerators and screens on your sinks and washers.

We apologize for any inconvenience. When complete the water supply will be more secure than ever before.

Thank you,

Noble Excavating, Inc.

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER Boil Water Advisory for City Of Libby

# Water System Water may be Contaminated

Our water system recently experienced a drop in pressure 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 City of Libby public water supply has experienced a loss of pressure due to required maintenance. Water system personnel are working diligently to get the water pressure restored. Your cooperation is needed.

### 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 1800-426-4791.

### 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?

- Bacteriological samples of the water will be collected.
- Personnel are closely monitoring the situation and will update users.
- For more information, please contact Jeff Haugen with the City of Libby Operations at 406-293-2067
- 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.

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