



**GREATER VERNON WATER
and DISTRICT OF COLDSTREAM**

MEDIA RELEASE



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Antwerp Springs Water Source

As of 5:00 p.m. today, the Interior Health Authority (IHA) has advised that the **“Do Not Drink Water”** Notice has been downgraded to a **“Boil Water”** Notice for those residents living west of Murphy Road and Highway 6. The **“Do Not Drink Water”** Notice remains in effect for residents supplied by the Antwerp Springs well source, living east of Murphy Road at Highway 6. A map showing the two areas is attached.

Notices are being hand delivered to all homes in the area downgraded to the “Boil Water” Notice. The notice is attached hereto.

As of 6:00 p.m. today, bottled water will not longer be available from the Coldstream Fire Hall.

For those areas still affected by the **“Do Not Drink Water”** Notice, emergency water remains available at the Lavington Fire Hall between 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 17, and then on a self-service basis from a water truck to be stationed at the Lavington Fire Hall commencing 8:00 a.m. Monday, January 18. In addition, disposable plates and cutlery will be available for pick up at the Lavington Fire Hall starting Monday morning for those residents affected by the **“Do Not Drink”** Notice.

Shower facilities at the Wesbild Centre remain available between 5 a.m. and 12:00 midnight for use by residents of the affected area. The Wesbild Centre is located at 3445 – 43rd Avenue in Vernon. Enter at either the “Player” or “Main” entrance and proceed to the lower floor, where directions are posted to the shower rooms. Bring your own towels and toiletries.

Questions related to watering livestock should be directed to the Ministry of Agriculture and Lands at 250-260-3000.

Regional District of North Okanagan and District of Coldstream staff are working in close consultation with IHA to allow for further downgrades of the status of both areas over the next several days.

If you have any questions, please contact Greater Vernon Water at 250-550-3700. Staff will be available for inquiries from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. throughout the weekend and regular workdays. Please check the website for information or further updates at www.rdno.ca or www.districtofcoldstream.ca.

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