



REGIONAL DISTRICT of NORTH OKANAGAN

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North Kalamalka Lake Intake **WATER QUALITY UPDATE**

Regional District of North Okanagan – Greater Vernon Water (RDNO-GVW) and Interior Health Authority (IHA) advises that the water quality from the **North Kalamalka Lake Intake** has a “**GOOD**” rating.



How is the water treated to protect public health?

The water from the North Kalamalka Lake Intake is disinfected using Ultra Violet (UV) technology and then chlorine. This is called “dual disinfection”. The UV disinfection process inactivates protozoa such as Giardia and Cryptosporidium. Chlorine works affectively against bacteria and provides a residual to inhibit re-growth.

What does a GOOD rating mean?

A good rating means the water is safe to drink for all customers with the exception of those customers with weakened immune systems.

What should customers with immune compromised systems do?

Customers with weakened immune systems should ask their doctor or specialist whether they need to take extra precautions. The following Health Link BC provides further information:

<http://www.healthlinkbc.ca/healthfiles/hfile56.stm#E46E2>

Please be advised that Greater Vernon Water Utility continuously monitors the water quality and will notify the public if conditions change.

If you have any questions, please contact our office or visit our website at www.rdno.ca for notifications and updates.

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