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MABEL LAKE WATER UTILITY POWER LOSS IMPACTS WATER USERS

The Regional District of North Okanagan (RDNO) is issuing a **mandatory reduction of Water Use to basic needs**. The power outage experienced at Mabel Lake is impacting the ability to provide water to all customers served by the Mabel Lake Water Utility.

Power outage is due to downed power lines from high winds experienced on June 25, 2018. Because of power loss the water reservoirs are not being filled and are emptying rapidly.

BC Hydro has been contacted, but in the interim RDNO requests customers to reduce their water use to ensure water is not lost completely. Water Haulers are being contacted to provide some water to the reservoirs.

There is no estimate of when this situation can be resolved.

What should these customers do?

- The Regional District of North Okanagan (RDNO) recommends that ALL customers in the affected area drink bottled water, or a **safe alternative or water previously boiled**.

What should customers do?

Water intended for the following uses should be boiled for one minute:

- drinking
- preparing any foods
- washing fruits and vegetables
- making beverages or ice
- brushing teeth
- preparing infant formula

Customers will be informed when water quality returns to normal via road signs and on our website. For more information, please visit www.rdno.ca.