



REGIONAL DISTRICT OKANAGAN-SIMILKAMEEN PRESS RELEASE

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Water Quality Advisory – Olalla Water System

The Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen in consultation with the Interior Health Authority has placed a Water Quality Advisory on the Olalla Water System.

This is in response to recent adverse water quality test results. The advisory will remain in effect until further notice. The elderly, young children/infants and anyone with ongoing health issues or compromised immune systems are advised to use a safe alternative water source or to boil water for all drinking, oral hygiene and food preparation/cooking purposes. Water should be brought to a rolling boil and continued to boil for at least 1 minute prior to use.

Also, chlorine has been added to the system on a temporary basis which may result in a distinct chlorine odour or taste in the water. RDOS staff will be flushing the chlorine through the system and taking samples for testing. Once these testing results are approved by the Interior Health Authority, the Water Quality Advisory will be lifted.

For more information, please contact the RDOS Public Works Department at 250-490-4135 or 250.490.4106 or you may also contact the Interior Health Authority at 250.770.3530.

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