



# NOTICE

# WATER QUALITY ADVISORY

## FAULDER WATER SYSTEM USERS

February 7, 2017

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The Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen (RDOS) in consultation with the Interior Health Authority (IHA) is issuing a short term Water Quality Advisory effective **February 14, 2017**, while the new Faulder well is brought into service. This Advisory will remain in effect until further notice and is in addition to the Water Quality Advisory for uranium that remains in effect.

The new well was drilled in August of 2015 but has not supplied potable water to the community to date. The well has undergone flushing and has been used for commissioning of the uranium treatment system. The new well has been tested a number of times since it was drilled and has consistently provided results that have been negative for both Total Coliform and *Escherichia coli* (E. coli) bacteria.

While the associated health risks are minimal with the works being conducted to bring the new well into operation, the RDOS and Interior Health recommend that anyone seeking additional health protection during this time use a safe alternate source of water for all drinking, oral hygiene and food preparation/cooking purposes. **Boiling of water is not recommended as this can concentrate the uranium present in the water.**

The RDOS would also like to remind all business owners/operators (bed and breakfasts) that it is the responsibility of said establishments to notify their customers of these Water Quality Advisories.

For further information, please contact the Public Works Department at (250) 490-4106 or (250) 490-4135.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Send an email to [info@rdos.bc.ca](mailto:info@rdos.bc.ca) and remember to include your name and address to receive future email notifications.

For after-hours water emergencies, please contact Regional Dispatch at 250.490.4141.