

MEDIA RELEASE

City of Williams Lake



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450 Mart Street
Williams Lake, BC
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Water Main Break – UPDATE

An original water main break was identified on Hodgson Road near the truck wash station and Wotzke Drive intersection on January 10, 2021. An additional water break was discovered on Hodgson Road on the evening of January 11, 2021. Due to this event, the City's west side is experiencing service loss.

This water break interferes with filling the Woodland Drive reservoir, and affected properties include customers in the Westridge and Golf Course subdivisions, Terra Ridge, and along Wotzke Drive and Hodgson Road.

Today, the City is tendering potable water to the Woodland Drive reservoir to attempt to restore some domestic service to the area; we will be delivering bottled water to the residents that have no water at this time.

As we are tendering potable water into the reservoir, the City is issuing a **Boil Water Advisory** in the affected area. The Boil Water Advisory includes customers in the **Westridge and Golf Course subdivisions, Terra Ridge and along Wotzke Drive and Hodgson Road** who are advised to heat water to a rolling boil for 2 minutes before using for drinking, brushing teeth, and making ice or beverages. As well, tendering water into the Woodland reservoir may stir manganese in the water mains, leading to some discoloration of water.

As we work through this event, the City is offering shower services through the Cariboo Memorial Recreation Complex to affected residents. Effective immediately, showers will be made available to these residents by utilizing the ice arena dressing rooms from Monday to Friday, 6:00 am to 3:00 pm, until the water situation is corrected. There will be designated shower rooms and residents must check in at the Recreation Complex reception desk prior to accessing the ice arena dressing rooms.

Again, we apologize for this service interruption and are working hard toward a solution.

For more information please contact **Municipal Services at 250.392.1784**

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