

PUBLIC STATEMENT

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SECOND NOTICE BOIL WATER ALERT – SELECT AREAS OF MORLEY, ELM, HIGH, AND CLARK STREETS IN GRAND LEDGE - UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

GRAND LEDGE, MI, **November 13, 2021 – 7:00 PM –**

UPDATE:

Water samples were drawn late Friday and testing was conducted at the City's Department of Environment, Great Lakes & Energy (EGLE) certified laboratory to ensure water meets State of Michigan standards. The results of those initial water samples are complete following a required 24-hour testing period and were found to be non-detect. The second round of water samples was drawn this evening, as required, 24-hours after the initial samples were taken. **Results of the second required EGLE tests are expected to be available by approximately 7:00 PM on Sunday, November 14, 2021. This second test will indicate whether the boil water advisory should remain in effect or if that the boil water advisory can be lifted. These results will be released to the public immediately upon determination.**

What happened?

A water main break on Morley Street, near Elm Street, has affected water pressure for a select area of residents. This incident has caused the City to issue a boil water advisory until further notice. City Department of Public Services staff is on-site completing the repair.

To whom does this apply?

Grand Ledge residents as noted in the shaded area of the map.



Boil your water before using

Bring tap water to a rolling boil, boil for one minute, and cool before using, or use bottled water. Boiled or bottled water should be used for drinking, making ice, washing dishes, brushing teeth, and preparing food until further notice.

NOTE: From the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) regarding water usage and COVID-19. Tap water can still be used to wash hands when a Boil Water Advisory has been issued. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer containing at least 60% alcohol.

Water and COVID-19 – Frequently Asked Questions – Centers for Disease Control (CDC)

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/php/water.html>

If my utility has issued a Boil Water Advisory, can I still use tap water to wash my hands? –

In most cases, it is safe to wash your hands with soap and tap water during a Boil Water Advisory. Follow the guidance from your local public health officials. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer containing at least 60% alcohol.

Quick Tips for Boil Water Advisory

Use Tap Water for:

- Washing clothes (unless water is cloudy)
- Taking showers (for adults)
- Flushing toilets

Use Boiled or Bottled Water for:

- Drinking
- Brushing teeth
- Washing fruits and vegetables
- Preparing food
- Mixing baby formula
- Making ice
- Giving water to pets

Use Caution:

- Most kitchen and other household filters DO NOT remove bacteria or viruses
- Coffee makers, vending machine for soda and coffee with a line to the water supply
- Bathing babies and young children (give sponge bath; use boiled water that has cooled)

How to Boil Water during an Advisory

- Fill a pot with water.
 - Heat until bubbles come from the bottom of the pot to the top.
- Once the water reaches a rolling boil, let it boil for one (1) minute.
- Turn off the heat source and let the water cool.
 - Store in a clean container with a cover.



How long will the advisory be in effect?

The City of Grand Ledge will conduct required EGLE-certified laboratory tests to ensure water meets State of Michigan standards. Two consecutive water sampling tests will be completed at 24 hours and 48 hours after water pressure is restored. The tests will indicate whether the boil water advisory should remain in effect or if it can be lifted.

What is being done?

The City of Grand Ledge is working with the EGLE, to monitor the situation. The City will provide an update on the situation by approximately 7:00 PM on Sunday, November 14, 2021, upon obtaining results from the second required EGLE testing.

How will we know if the advisory is still in effect?

Updates for this advisory can be found on our website, www.cityofgrandledge.com, and Facebook page, @CityofGrandLedgeGovernment, as it becomes available. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause and thank you for your patience.