

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Este aviso contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable. Para una copia en español, favor de llamar al sistema de agua (530)717-2506.

Del Oro Water – Ferndale District September 2023

# BOIL WATER ADVISORY

### Boil Your Water Before Drinking or Food Preparation to Avoid Illness

Due to the recent water outage due to hydrant maintenance, new hydrant installation and valve installation, which occurred on September 19, 2023, the State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water, the Humboldt County Health Department, and the Del Oro Water – Ferndale District are advising residents of Ferndale, CA to only use boiled tap water or bottled water for drinking and cooking purposes as a safety precaution to avoid stomach or intestinal illness.

The affected area includes:

**Odd** addresses only **619 – 813 Main Street**  
**Even** addressed only **805 – 828 Main Street**  
**501 – 561 Fern Street**

We will inform you when tests show that water is safe to drink, and you no longer need to boil your water. We anticipate resolving the problem within 48 hours.

If you have questions about other uses of tap water, such as bathing and dish washing, please call your water system or read this guidance:  
<https://www.cdc.gov/healthywater/emergency/dwa>

### For More Information

If you are concerned about your health or the health of a family member, contact your health care provider or Humboldt County Health Department at 530-629-2410.

**Water Utility contact:** Kaila Clark, Compliance and Asset Manager, 530-717-2506,  
Drawer 5172, Chico, CA 95927

**State Water Resources Control Board District Office:** 707-576-2220

**Local Environmental Health Jurisdiction:** 530-629-2410

Please share or post this information with others who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this advisory directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this advisory in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

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### Do not drink the water without boiling it first

- Boil all water for one (1) minute (rolling boil).
- Let water cool before drinking.F
- Use boiled or bottled water for drinking, brushing teeth, and food preparation until further notice.
- Boiling water kills bacteria and other organisms in the water.

### If you are unable to boil your water:

Household unscented liquid bleach

- For clear water, use 8 drops (1/8 tsp.) of bleach for 1 gallon of water. For cloudy water, filter through a clean cloth and use 16 drops (1/4 tsp.) of bleach for 1 gallon of water.
- Mix well. Allow to stand for 30 minutes before using.
- Water may taste or smell like chlorine. This means disinfection has occurred.

Water disinfection tablets

- Please follow the manufacturer's instructions.