

DRINKING WATER WARNING STARTING MONDAY APRIL 16, 2018

Merrill/Jonesfield Water District, Municipal Water System

The M-46 Project will require relocation of 7 fire hydrants between McBride St. and Chapin Rd. This proposed work is scheduled to begin Monday, April 16th at 8 a.m. This schedule is dependent on weather conditions.

BOIL YOUR WATER BEFORE USING

Due to shut down of water supply, bacterial contamination can occur in the water system. Bacteria are generally not harmful and are common throughout our environment. Corrective measures will be taken to correct the situation.

What should I do?

DO NOT DRINK THE WATER WITHOUT BOILING IT FIRST. Bring all water to a boil, let it boil for one minute, and let it cool before using, or use bottled water. Boiled or bottled water should be used for drinking, making ice, brushing teeth, washing dishes, and preparing food. Boiling kills bacteria and other organisms in the water. Continue using boiled or bottled water until further notice.

What happened? What is being done?

These precautionary actions are being taken due to the necessity of fire hydrant relocations on M-46 East of McBride St. in conjunction with the M-46 project. The Merrill Department of Public Works (DPW) is working with the MDOT Contractor, Champagne and Marx, to get pressure restored, and will be taking other remedial actions such as flushing and collecting bacteriological samples from the system. The samples will be collected to determine that the water quality meets the state drinking water standards. We will inform you when tests show no bacteria and you no longer need to boil your water. We anticipate resolving the issue within the next few days and will work diligently to complete the process as soon as possible.

This boil water notice shall remain in effect until results from the sampling verify the water is safe to drink. **Customers will be advised when the boil water advisory has been lifted by the issuance of fliers handed out door to door by a Merrill/Jonesfield representative.**

For more information, please contact the Merrill DPW, 643-7722 or Village office, 643-5660. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from the EPA Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1(800) 426-4791.

CERTIFICATION:

WSSN: [enter WSSN]

I certify that this water supply has fully complied with the public notification requirements in the Michigan Safe Drinking Water Act, 1976 PA 399, as amended, and the administrative rules.

Signature

Title

Date Distributed

Reminder to water supplier: This notice / certification must be sent to the DEQ.

cc: [cc the local health department and the Michigan Department of Agriculture if the boil affects a municipal supply.]