



# 103 MILE WATER SYSTEM 2024 ANNUAL REPORT

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Dear Christine Sweezey:

Re: Transmittal of the 2024 Annual Report for the 103 Mile Water System

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We are pleased to submit the 2024 Annual Report for the 103 Mile Water System. This report is prepared to provide a comprehensive summary of the key developments, activities, and achievements of 2024, as well as to outline plans for the water system.

The report has been developed with consideration for public engagement and transparency, ensuring it meets the information needs of Interior Health, the Cariboo Regional District Board of Directors, and particularly the 103 Mile community, as represented by Electoral Area G Director Al Richmond.

We trust this report will serve as a valuable resource in understanding the progress and direction of the 103 Mile Water System.

Sincerely,

Kelly McDonald  
Manager of Utilities

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## 1. Executive Summary

In 2024, the Cariboo Regional District (CRD) continued efforts to provide safe and reliable water service for the 103 Mile Water System through maintenance, quality assurance, and infrastructure planning. The reservoir was inspected using remotely operated vehicle (ROV) technology without service disruption, and routine flushing helped address occasional discolored water caused by manganese. A planned leak survey will further assess potential water loss and system integrity.

The system met all regulatory standards, with no bacterial contamination detected. Manganese levels were managed by operating both wells together, and sodium hypochlorite disinfection ensured ongoing protection. Infrastructure improvements included SCADA system upgrades to enhance monitoring and operational efficiency. A fire protection review is underway, pending leak survey results.

Despite staffing challenges, Operators maintained service levels while advancing their certifications. Water demand varied seasonally, averaging 429.6 litres per person daily, with peak use in July. To strengthen emergency preparedness, a new Emergency Response and Contingency Plan (ERCP) is being developed. The CRD remains focused on system improvements, operational efficiency, and staff development to ensure continued service reliability.

### 1.1. **Key Information:**

System key facts:

- 5 km of PVC pipe
- One reservoir
- 2 wells, single pumphouse
- 1 booster station
- 153 service connections
- Serves approximately 350 residents

## 2. Introduction

The 103 Mile Water System Annual Report provides an overview of the system's performance, maintenance activities, and future planning efforts undertaken by the CRD in 2024. This report highlights key initiatives to ensure the continued delivery of safe, high-quality water to residents, compliance with regulatory standards, and ongoing improvements to infrastructure and operations.

### **3. Maintenance**

In 2024, the 103 Mile reservoir was inspected by Aquavision Services using a remotely operated vehicle (ROV). This innovative approach allowed the inspection to be carried out without interrupting water service, ensuring minimal inconvenience to residents.

Occasionally, residents report instances of discolored water. This brown water can occur when chlorine interacts with naturally occurring manganese in the water supply, forming particles. Stagnant water in pipes or household plumbing can intensify this issue.

To address and reduce discoloration, our Operators routinely flush the water system as part of their regular maintenance tasks, helping maintain water quality.

#### **3.1. Water Disinfection and Compliance**

The 103 Mile Water System uses sodium hypochlorite (a liquid form of chlorine) to maintain disinfectant levels throughout the distribution network. This ensures water safety by protecting against bacterial contamination and preventing buildup on the interior walls of pipes.

Maintaining a chlorine residual is not only an industry standard but also a requirement under our Operating Permit issued by Interior Health.

#### **3.2. Leak Survey**

Our team is actively investigating potential leaks in the 103 Mile Water System. Fluctuations in water demand throughout the year suggest there may be leakage in the system. To address this, the CRD plans to purchase advanced leak detection equipment as part of the 2025 budget. This equipment will help confirm or rule out the presence of leaks.

### **4. Projects and Planned Activities**

#### **4.1. Asset Management**

Throughout 2024, asset management inventory and implementation have been ongoing across all Cariboo Regional District utilities, including the 103 Mile Water System. This initiative will support more efficient budgeting for system improvements and enhance preventive maintenance practices.

#### 4.2. Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA)

The 103 Mile Water System benefited from the CRD-wide upgrade to our computer monitoring system, which allows the Operators more control as well as improved remote information and alerts.

#### 4.3. Fire Protection Review

The 103 Mile Water System was not originally designed to provide fire protection. As a result, a review is currently underway to explore potential improvements that could enhance fire response capabilities. Possible upgrades include increasing storage capacity, improving water flow by connecting dead-end sections of the main water lines, and upgrading the reservoir.

However, before moving forward with these improvements, the CRD must first complete a leak survey to ensure the system is operating efficiently and to identify any existing issues that may impact future upgrades.

### 5. Environmental Operator’s Certification Program (EOCP)

The CRD has been active in 2024, with staff completing numerous training courses and achieving certification levels in the Environmental Operator’s Certification Program (EOCP). The southern region water systems now have three certified Operators, including one who has achieved their Level 3 (EOCP) certification in water distribution (*table 2*).

The Operators are responsible for operating the 103 Mile Water System, along with six other water systems and one wastewater system in the South Cariboo.

Table 1: Environmental Operator Certification Levels

<u>Operator</u>	<u>Region</u>	<u>Water Distribution</u>	<u>Water Treatment</u>	<u>Operator in Training</u>
Jourdy Ouellette	South	3	1	
Larry Perry	South	1		
Colin Brusic	South			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Ken/Chuck Manager	Central	Backup		
	Central	4	1	

Staffing was a challenge in 2024, with multiple vacant positions. Despite this, Operators have worked diligently to maintain the level of service our residents expect while safeguarding public health. We anticipate improvements in 2025 through additional staff and continued training.

## 6. Source to Tap Risks

### 6.1. Cross-Connection Control

Currently, there is no formal cross-connection control program in place. This issue should be addressed as policies are expanded to cover smaller systems in the future. At present, there are no commercial properties connected to the 103 Mile water system.

### 6.2. System Integrity

While all water quality samples in 2024 met safety standards with no bacterial contamination detected, potential leaks in the system remain a concern. Leaks can create pathways for contaminants to enter the water supply. To address this, the CRD has scheduled a comprehensive leak survey to identify and resolve any issues.

### 6.3. Manganese

The 103 Mile Water System is supplied by two wells, each with a different water quality profile. One of the wells contains manganese levels that exceed the maximum acceptable concentration (MAC) set by health regulators. To manage this, both wells are operated together to balance water quality, ensuring the well with higher manganese levels is never used on its own.

## 7. Water Sampling

The 2024 sampling schedule consisted of a full chemical analysis as well as twice monthly bacteriological sampling at three locations\*. In addition, chlorine residuals and turbidity are monitored by the Operators in real time.

\* *Sample results attached.*

## 8. Water Quality

Manganese levels in one of the two source wells slightly exceed the maximum acceptable concentration level of 0.12 mg/L established in the regulations. Because of this, both source wells are run simultaneously ensuring the concentration levels stay below the established limit. In 2024, all 74 samples tested for coliforms and E. coli were negative for bacterial contamination.



## 9. Events

No advisories occurred in 2024 for the 103 Mile Water System. Three service leaks were repaired without incident.

### 9.1. Water Demand

In 2024, water usage in the 103 Mile Water System varied throughout the year, with the highest demand recorded in July at 7,232 cubic metres and the lowest in December at 4,007 cubic metres.

On average, each resident used an estimated 429.6 litres of water per day over the year. Water consumption fluctuated seasonally, with a difference of 267.8 litres per person per day between the peak usage in July and the lowest consumption in December.

Table 2: Monthly Average Litres Per Day Demand (est. Per Resident)

<b>2024: 103 Mile Water System Daily Demand per Resident (Litres per Day Averaged Monthly)</b>											
January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
445	530	389	408	441	377	598	436	365	449	375	331

Figure 1: 103 Mile 2024 Monthly Demand in Cubic Metres

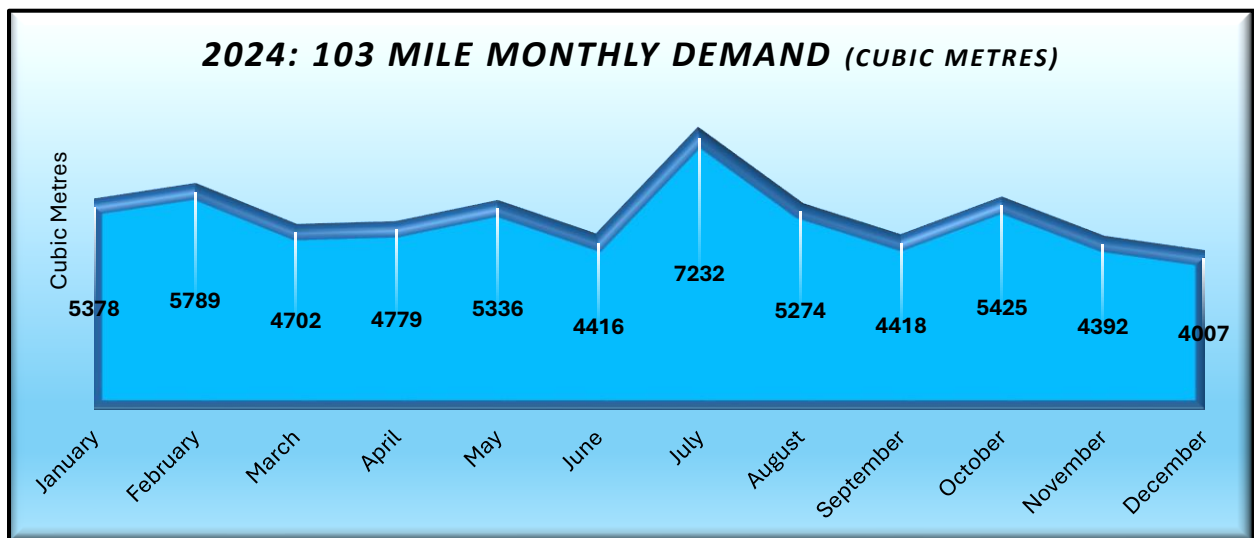
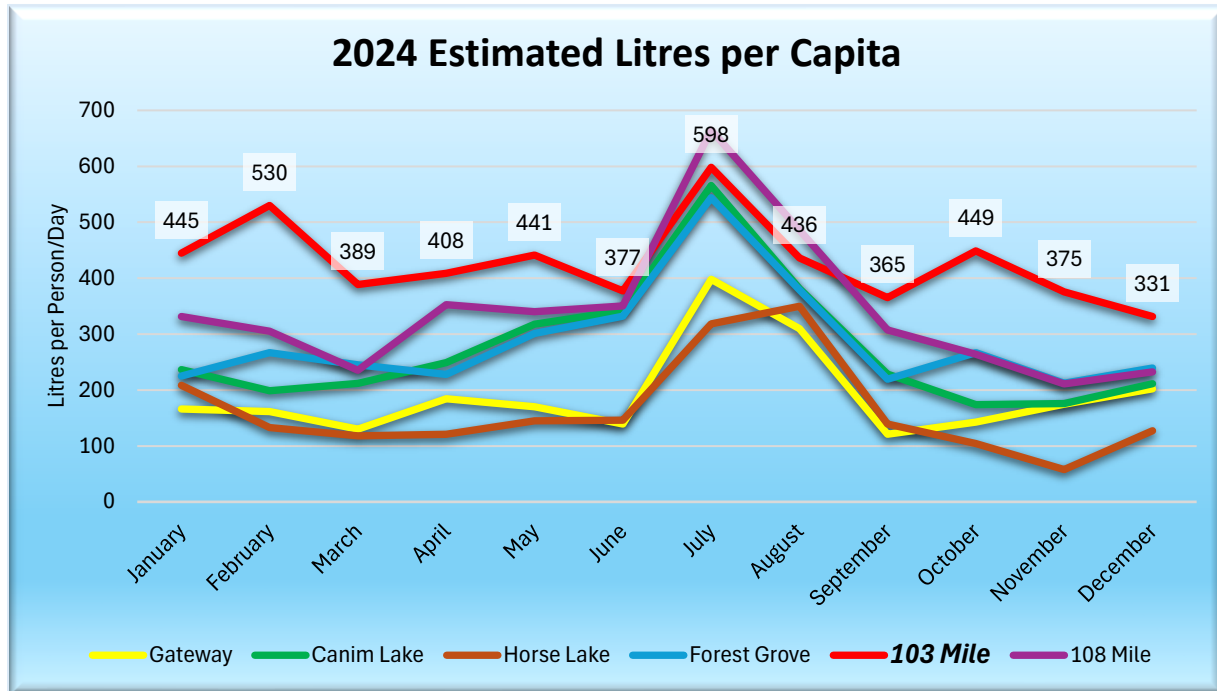


Figure 2: Monthly Average Per Person Water Demand (103 Mile)



## 10. Emergency Planning

A new Emergency Response and Contingency Plan (ERCP) for the 103 Mile Water System is currently being developed to enhance preparedness and ensure quick, coordinated responses to potential emergencies affecting the water supply.

The process began with a risk assessment to identify potential hazards, such as equipment failures, natural disasters, contamination events, and power outages. Stakeholder input, including feedback from Operators, community members, and regulatory bodies, helped shape the plan to address specific vulnerabilities and local conditions.

### 10.1. Key Elements of the ERCP

The key elements of the ERCP include:

- Clear Response Protocols: Step-by-step actions for various emergency scenarios.
- Roles and Responsibilities: Defined roles for Operators, management, and external agencies.
- Communication Strategies: Procedures for notifying residents, government agencies, and media.

- Resource Allocation: Identification of equipment, backup systems, and personnel required during emergencies.
- Training and Drills: Regular exercises to ensure staff are familiar with the plan and can respond efficiently.

The plan will be reviewed and approved by local health authorities to ensure compliance with provincial regulations. Updating the ERCP ensures that emergency procedures align with the current operational capacity.

In addition, a drought management plan is also currently being developed in line with best practice.

*\* Plans attached.*

### 11. Conclusion

The CRD remains dedicated to maintaining and improving the 103 Mile Water System to ensure safe, reliable service for the community. Ongoing investments in infrastructure, proactive maintenance, and staff development will support long-term sustainability and regulatory compliance. Moving forward, the CRD will continue to prioritize system efficiency, water quality, and emergency preparedness to meet the evolving needs of residents.

### 12. References

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- *Colin Brusic*
- *Ken Heidema*
- *Chuck Howes*
- *Phil Wilkins*
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*for their contribution.*

**Appendix A: Links**

Interior Health:

- [Interior Health Water Advisories](#)
- [Drinking Water | Environmental & Seasonal Health | IH](#)

Cariboo Regional District:

- [Water Notices and Advisories - Cariboo Regional District](#)
- [Sewer and Water Services - Cariboo Regional District](#)

Notification App (VoyentAlert!):

- [Emergency Notification System - Cariboo Regional District](#)

Environmental Operators Certification Program (EOCP):

- [EOCP Homepage | EOCP](#)
- [Backflow Prevention, Cross Connection Control, and the Environmental Operators Certification Program | EOCP](#)

**Appendix B: Sample Results**

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<b>Facility and Sample Site:</b> 103 Mile Water System 5389 Park Dr., 100 Mile House, BC	<b>Test Type:</b> Drinking Water – Bacteriological Unit of Measure: CFU per 100 ml	<b>Value</b>	<b>Date Collected</b>	<b>Results</b>
Pumphouse	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	01 Jan 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	01 Jan 2024	Acceptable
Sample Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	29 Jan 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	29 Jan 2024	Acceptable
Booster Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	29 Jan 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	29 Jan 2024	Acceptable
Sample Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	07 Feb 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	07 Feb 2024	Acceptable
Pumphouse	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	07 Feb 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	07 Feb 2024	Acceptable
Booster Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	07 Feb 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	07 Feb 2024	Acceptable
Sample Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	28 Feb 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	28 Feb 2024	Acceptable
Pumphouse	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	28 Feb 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	28 Feb 2024	Acceptable
Booster Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	28 Feb 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	28 Feb 2024	Acceptable
Sample Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	13 Mar 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	13 Mar 2024	Acceptable
Pumphouse	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	13 Mar 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	13 Mar 2024	Acceptable
Booster Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	13 Mar 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	13 Mar 2024	Acceptable
Sample Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	26 Mar 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	26 Mar 2024	Acceptable
Pumphouse	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	26 Mar 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	26 Mar 2024	Acceptable
Booster Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	26 Mar 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	26 Mar 2024	Acceptable
Sample Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	10 Apr 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	10 Apr 2024	Acceptable
Pumphouse	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	10 Apr 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	10 Apr 2024	Acceptable
Booster Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	10 Apr 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	10 Apr 2024	Acceptable
Sample Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	24 Apr 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	24 Apr 2024	Acceptable
Pumphouse	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	24 Apr 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	24 Apr 2024	Acceptable
Booster Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	24 Apr 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	24 Apr 2024	Acceptable
Sample Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	07 May 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	07 May 2024	Acceptable
Pumphouse	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	07 May 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	07 May 2024	Acceptable
Booster Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	07 May 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	07 May 2024	Acceptable
Sample Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	28 May 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	28 May 2024	Acceptable
Pumphouse	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	28 May 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	28 May 2024	Acceptable
Booster Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	28 May 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	28 May 2024	Acceptable
Sample Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	05 Jun 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	05 Jun 2024	Acceptable
Pumphouse	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	05 Jun 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	05 Jun 2024	Acceptable
Booster Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	05 Jun 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	05 Jun 2024	Acceptable
Sample Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	19 Jun 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	19 Jun 2024	Acceptable
Pumphouse	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	19 Jun 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	19 Jun 2024	Acceptable



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Booster Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	19 Jun 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	19 Jun 2024	Acceptable
Sample Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	03 Jul 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	03 Jul 2024	Acceptable
Pumphouse	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	03 Jul 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	03 Jul 2024	Acceptable
Booster Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	03 Jul 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	03 Jul 2024	Acceptable
Sample Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	16 Jul 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	16 Jul 2024	Acceptable
Pumphouse	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	16 Jul 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	16 Jul 2024	Acceptable
Booster Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	16 Jul 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	16 Jul 2024	Acceptable
Sample Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	06 Aug 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	06 Aug 2024	Acceptable
Pumphouse	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	06 Aug 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	06 Aug 2024	Acceptable
Booster Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	06 Aug 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	06 Aug 2024	Acceptable
Pumphouse	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	13 Aug 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	13 Aug 2024	Acceptable
5548 Sample Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	13 Aug 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	13 Aug 2024	Acceptable
Saunders Sample Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	13 Aug 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	13 Aug 2024	Acceptable
Pumphouse	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	10 Sep 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	10 Sep 2024	Acceptable
Sample Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	10 Sep 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	10 Sep 2024	Acceptable
Booster Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	10 Sep 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	10 Sep 2024	Acceptable
Pumphouse	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	23 Sep 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	23 Sep 2024	Acceptable
Sample Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	23 Sep 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	23 Sep 2024	Acceptable
Booster Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	23 Sep 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	23 Sep 2024	Acceptable
Pumphouse	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	07 Oct 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	07 Oct 2024	Acceptable
Sample Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	07 Oct 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	07 Oct 2024	Acceptable
Booster Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	07 Oct 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	07 Oct 2024	Acceptable
Pumphouse	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	22 Oct 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	22 Oct 2024	Acceptable
Sample Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	22 Oct 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	22 Oct 2024	Acceptable
Booster Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	22 Oct 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	22 Oct 2024	Acceptable
Pumphouse	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	13 Nov 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	13 Nov 2024	Acceptable
Sample Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	13 Nov 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	13 Nov 2024	Acceptable
Booster Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	13 Nov 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	13 Nov 2024	Acceptable
Pumphouse	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	26 Nov 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	26 Nov 2024	Acceptable
Sample Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	26 Nov 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	26 Nov 2024	Acceptable
Booster Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	26 Nov 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	26 Nov 2024	Acceptable
Pumphouse	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	03 Dec 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	03 Dec 2024	Acceptable

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Booster Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	03 Dec 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	03 Dec 2024	Acceptable
Sample Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	03 Dec 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	03 Dec 2024	Acceptable
103 Sample Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	17 Dec 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	17 Dec 2024	Acceptable
103 Sample Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	17 Dec 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	17 Dec 2024	Acceptable
Booster Station	Sample Parameter: E. coli	<1	17 Dec 2024	Acceptable
	Sample Parameter: Total Coliform	<1	17 Dec 2024	Acceptable

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 Work Order : KS2400951  
 Client : Cariboo Regional District  
 Project : Drinking Water



**Analytical Results Evaluation**

				Client sample ID						
				108 Treated	103 Mile Well #3	103 Mile Well #4	Forest Grove Pumphouse	Gateway Pumphouse	Canim Lake Pumphouse	Horse Lake Pumphouse
Matrix: Water				Sampling date/time						
				19-Mar-2024 08:00	19-Mar-2024 09:00	19-Mar-2024 09:00	19-Mar-2024 10:05	19-Mar-2024 10:25	19-Mar-2024 10:50	19-Mar-2024 11:35
				Sub-Matrix						
Analyte	CAS Number	Method/Lab	Unit	Water	Water	Water	Water	Water	Water	Water
				KS2400951-001	KS2400951-002	KS2400951-003	KS2400951-004	KS2400951-005	KS2400951-006	KS2400951-007
<b>Physical Tests</b>										
Alkalinity, total (as CaCO3)	----	E290/VA	mg/L	554	676	635	360	460	485	406
Colour, true	----	E329/VA	CU	<5.0	<5.0	<5.0	<5.0	<5.0	<5.0	<5.0
Conductivity	----	E100/VA	µS/cm	1330	1520	1300	658	928	932	882
pH	----	E108/VA	pH units	8.21	8.26	8.34	8.09	8.31	8.27	8.19
Solids, total dissolved [TDS]	----	E162/VA	mg/L	944	825	742	395	514	555	527
Turbidity	----	E121/VA	NTU	<0.10	1.70	0.34	<0.10	3.35	<0.10	0.58
Hardness (as CaCO3), from total Ca/Mg	----	EC100A/VA	mg/L	568	628	524	343	464	422	322
<b>Anions and Nutrients</b>										
Chloride	16887-00-6	E235.Cl/VA	mg/L	97.7	138	82.0	13.2	42.1	17.0	57.9
Fluoride	16984-48-8	E235.F/VA	mg/L	0.503	0.145	0.144	0.160	0.248	0.332	0.160
Nitrate (as N)	14797-55-8	E235.NO3-L/VA	mg/L	0.769	<0.0250 <sup>DLDS</sup>	<0.0250 <sup>DLDS</sup>	1.10	<0.0250 <sup>DLDS</sup>	0.296	0.409
Nitrite (as N)	14797-65-0	E235.NO2-L/VA	mg/L	<0.0050 <sup>DLDS</sup>	<0.0050 <sup>DLDS</sup>	<0.0050 <sup>DLDS</sup>	<0.0050 <sup>DLDS</sup>	<0.0050 <sup>DLDS</sup>	0.0101	0.0061
Sulfate (as SO4)	14808-79-8	E235.SO4/VA	mg/L	81.5	27.8	34.2	4.73	36.3	51.2	7.82
<b>Total Metals</b>										
Aluminum, total	7429-90-5	E420/VA	mg/L	<0.0100	<0.0100	<0.0100	<0.0100	<0.0100	<0.0100	<0.0100
Antimony, total	7440-36-0	E420/VA	mg/L	<0.00050	<0.00050	<0.00050	<0.00050	<0.00050	<0.00050	<0.00050
Arsenic, total	7440-38-2	E420/VA	mg/L	0.00122	0.00554	0.00867	0.00061	0.00324	0.00091	0.00218
Barium, total	7440-39-3	E420/VA	mg/L	<0.0200	0.0541	0.0319	0.0208	0.0301	0.0340	<0.0200
Boron, total	7440-42-8	E420/VA	mg/L	<0.100	<0.100	<0.100	<0.100	<0.100	<0.100	<0.100
Cadmium, total	7440-43-9	E420/VA	mg/L	<0.000200	<0.000200	<0.000200	<0.000200	<0.000200	<0.000200	<0.000200
Calcium, total	7440-70-2	E420/VA	mg/L	68.8	50.5	38.4	64.5	46.2	53.3	62.6
Chromium, total	7440-47-3	E420/VA	mg/L	<0.00200	<0.00200	<0.00200	<0.00200	<0.00200	<0.00200	<0.00200
Copper, total	7440-50-8	E420/VA	mg/L	1.40	0.00796	0.00345	0.0333	0.00995	0.00900	0.00255
Iron, total	7439-89-6	E420/VA	mg/L	<0.030	0.286	0.184	<0.030	0.777	<0.030	0.219
Lead, total	7439-92-1	E420/VA	mg/L	<0.000500	<0.000500	<0.000500	<0.000500	<0.000500	<0.000500	<0.000500
Magnesium, total	7439-95-4	E420/VA	mg/L	96.1	122	104	44.2	84.6	70.1	40.2
Manganese, total	7439-96-5	E420/VA	mg/L	<0.00200	0.122	0.0561	<0.00200	0.173	0.00448	0.234

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**Analytical Results Evaluation**

Matrix: Water				Client sample ID	108 Treated	103 Mile Well #3	103 Mile Well #4	Forest Grove Pumphouse	Gateway Pumphouse	Canim Lake Pumphouse	Horse Lake Pumphouse
				Sampling date/time	19-Mar-2024 08:00	19-Mar-2024 09:00	19-Mar-2024 09:00	19-Mar-2024 10:05	19-Mar-2024 10:25	19-Mar-2024 10:50	19-Mar-2024 11:35
Sub-Matrix				Water	Water	Water	Water	Water	Water	Water	
Analyte	CAS Number	Method/Lab	Unit	KS2400951-001	KS2400951-002	KS2400951-003	KS2400951-004	KS2400951-005	KS2400951-006	KS2400951-007	
<b>Total Metals</b>											
Mercury, total	7439-97-6	E508/VA	mg/L	0.0000064	<0.0000050	<0.0000050	<0.0000050	<0.0000050	<0.0000050	<0.0000050	
Potassium, total	7440-09-7	E420/VA	mg/L	8.57	9.50	9.57	3.01	6.01	13.5	2.78	
Selenium, total	7782-49-2	E420/VA	mg/L	<0.00100	<0.00100	<0.00100	<0.00100	<0.00100	<0.00100	<0.00100	
Sodium, total	7440-23-5	E420/VA	mg/L	99.3	114	120	15.0	42.2	62.0	88.2	
Uranium, total	7440-61-1	E420/VA	mg/L	0.00557	0.00486	0.00433	0.00337	0.0104	0.0144	0.00250	
Zinc, total	7440-66-6	E420/VA	mg/L	<0.0500	<0.0500	<0.0500	<0.0500	<0.0500	<0.0500	<0.0500	
<b>Volatile Organic Compounds [THMs]</b>											
Bromodichloromethane	75-27-4	E611B/VA	µg/L	9.6	----	<1.0	----	<1.0	<1.0	5.8	
Bromoform	75-25-2	E611B/VA	µg/L	1.6	----	<1.0	----	<1.0	<1.0	<1.0	
Chloroform	67-66-3	E611B/VA	µg/L	10.6	----	1.5	----	<1.0	<1.0	17.8	
Dibromochloromethane	124-48-1	E611B/VA	µg/L	8.0	----	<1.0	----	<1.0	<1.0	2.5	
Trihalomethanes [THMs], total	----	E611B/VA	µg/L	29.8	----	<2.0	----	<2.0	<2.0	26.1	
<b>Volatile Organic Compounds [THMs] Surrogates</b>											
Bromofluorobenzene, 4-	460-00-4	E611B/VA	%	98.2	----	97.0	----	95.7	92.2	95.2	
Difluorobenzene, 1,4-	540-36-3	E611B/VA	%	101	----	102	----	101	102	100	

Please refer to the General Comments section for an explanation of any result qualifiers detected.

Please refer to the Accreditation section for an explanation of analyte accreditations.

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**Summary of Guideline Limits**

Analyte	CAS Number	Unit	BCDWQG AO	BCDWQG MAC	BCDWQG OG				
<b>Physical Tests</b>									
Alkalinity, total (as CaCO3)	----	mg/L	--	--	--				
Colour, true	----	CU	15 CU	--	--				
Conductivity	----	µS/cm	--	--	--				
Hardness (as CaCO3), from total Ca/Mg	----	mg/L	--	--	--				
pH	----	pH units	--	--	7 - 10.5 pH units				
Solids, total dissolved [TDS]	----	mg/L	500 mg/L	--	--				
Turbidity	----	NTU	--	1 NTU	--				
<b>Anions and Nutrients</b>									
Chloride	16887-00-6	mg/L	250 mg/L	--	--				
Fluoride	16984-48-8	mg/L	--	1.5 mg/L	--				
Nitrate (as N)	14797-55-8	mg/L	--	10 mg/L	--				
Nitrite (as N)	14797-65-0	mg/L	--	1 mg/L	--				
Sulfate (as SO4)	14808-79-8	mg/L	500 mg/L	--	--				
<b>Total Metals</b>									
Aluminum, total	7429-90-5	mg/L	--	2.9 mg/L	--				
Antimony, total	7440-36-0	mg/L	--	0.006 mg/L	--				
Arsenic, total	7440-38-2	mg/L	--	0.01 mg/L	--				
Barium, total	7440-39-3	mg/L	--	2 mg/L	--				
Boron, total	7440-42-8	mg/L	--	5 mg/L	--				
Cadmium, total	7440-43-9	mg/L	--	0.007 mg/L	--				
Calcium, total	7440-70-2	mg/L	--	--	--				
Chromium, total	7440-47-3	mg/L	--	0.05 mg/L	--				
Copper, total	7440-50-8	mg/L	1 mg/L	2 mg/L	--				
Iron, total	7439-89-6	mg/L	0.3 mg/L	--	--				
Lead, total	7439-92-1	mg/L	--	0.005 mg/L	--				
Magnesium, total	7439-95-4	mg/L	--	--	--				
Manganese, total	7439-96-5	mg/L	0.02 mg/L	0.12 mg/L	--				
Mercury, total	7439-97-6	mg/L	--	0.001 mg/L	--				
Potassium, total	7440-09-7	mg/L	--	--	--				
Selenium, total	7782-49-2	mg/L	--	0.05 mg/L	--				
Sodium, total	7440-23-5	mg/L	200 mg/L	--	--				
Uranium, total	7440-61-1	mg/L	--	0.02 mg/L	--				
Zinc, total	7440-66-6	mg/L	5 mg/L	--	--				
<b>Volatile Organic Compounds [THMs]</b>									
Bromodichloromethane	75-27-4	µg/L	--	--	--				
Bromoform	75-25-2	µg/L	--	--	--				

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Analyte	CAS Number	Unit	BCDWQG AO	BCDWQG MAC	BCDWQG OG				
<b>Volatile Organic Compounds [THMs] - Continued</b>									
Chloroform	67-66-3	µg/L	--	--	--				
Dibromochloromethane	124-48-1	µg/L	--	--	--				
Trihalomethanes [THMs], total	----	µg/L	--	100 µg/L	--				
Bromofluorobenzene, 4-	460-00-4	%	--	--	--				
Difluorobenzene, 1,4-	540-36-3	%	--	--	--				

Please refer to the General Comments section for an explanation of any qualifiers detected.

**Key:**

BCDWQG	British Columbia Drinking Water Quality Guidelines (JAN, 2023)
AO	Aesthetic Objective/Other Value
MAC	Maximum Acceptable Concentrations
OG	Operational Guidance

**Appendix C: Emergency Plans**

*2025 Cariboo Regional District*

# Emergency Response & Contingency Plan

**103 Mile Water System**

*Utilities, Communications, and Emergency Operations Departments  
1-1-2025*

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## SECTION 1: Emergency Plan Goals

The Objective of the Cariboo Regional District (CRD) Emergency Response and Contingency Plan (ERCP) is to provide staff and regulatory agencies with a guideline for potential water utility related emergencies.

This Emergency Response and Contingency Plan (ERCP) serves as a guideline to address various emergency situations, recognizing that no two emergencies are exactly alike. Each emergency is described with a general sequence of steps to follow, providing both a structured approach to response and a consistent method for documenting actions taken. Task lists within each emergency section also function as checklists to remind staff of critical items to consider and complete during an emergency. This ERCP includes specific protocols and considerations for the CRD water supply system.

This plan has been prepared to guide the Cariboo Regional District to respond to an emergency arising in the operation of the 103 Mile Water System. The purpose of the ERCP is to:

- ✓ Ensure staff and the public's safety in carrying out emergency tasks.
- ✓ Provide the earliest and safest response to an emergency condition.
- ✓ Ensure that water quality and public health are not compromised.
- ✓ Ensure that water for firefighting is available.
- ✓ Restore normal water system operation.
- ✓ Protect the natural environment from impacts associated with the system operation in the event of an emergency.
- ✓ Contain property damage.

### 1.1. Resiliency in Operations

Operational resiliency refers to the capability of an operation to adjust, adapt, and maintain service delivery under emergency conditions. The objective for the CRD Water Utility is to achieve high operational resiliency. Indicators of operational resiliency include the following:

- 1.1.1. **Emergency Response Plan:** A comprehensive ERP is essential in building resilience within operations, providing structured guidance for handling emergencies effectively. This document is an integral part of that resiliency framework.
- 1.1.2. **Regional Agency Coordination:** The ERCP must be shared with regional emergency response agencies, ensuring cohesive support. The CRD Emergency Operations Department serves as the local staging agency for the Provincial Emergency Program.
- 1.1.3. **Mutual Aid Agreements:** In certain emergencies, the CRD may need support from neighboring water utilities. 100 Mile is a nearby utility from which the CRD may seek

assistance in the future. The CRD is working toward a formal mutual aid agreement based on community protection principles.

- 1.1.4. **Emergency Power:** The 103 Mile Water System can operate on gravity-fed supply. A standard battery pack is on hand to maintain disinfection if the power grid fails.
- 1.1.5. **Ability to Meet Water Demands:** While the water system meets current demands, the reservoir is small, and there are no fire hydrants in the service area.
- 1.1.6. **Critical Parts Inventory:** Appendix B provides a list of critical parts and their availability. Appendix A includes contact names for Cariboo support agencies offering specialized parts or services.
- 1.1.7. **Critical Staff Resiliency:** Staff's ability to respond and remain calm during extreme events is only evident when tested. Training and reinforcement of sound decision-making at all levels will support preparedness for emergency situations.

### **SECTION 2: How to Use This Plan**

The Water System Emergency Response and Contingency Plan (ERCP) is a guide for handling water system emergencies. The “Actions” section outlines various potential emergencies and provides steps to help minimize further damage.

After an emergency, the CRD will complete a Post Incident Report (see Appendix D). Regular review exercises and updates will strengthen our emergency response capabilities. We ask all plan holders to participate and offer recommendations to continually improve the ERCP.

Remember, the ERCP is only effective if everyone reviews, understands, and contributes to its ongoing development.

### **SECTION 3: Emergency Planning Definitions**

This section provides emergency planning definitions used in this document, following *AWWA Manual 19: Emergency Planning for Water Utilities*.

*Emergency:* An unexpected event that may compromise water quality or reduce the availability of domestic, irrigation, or fire flow water for the community.

*Minor Emergency:* A localized, routine incident impacting a small number of customers, such as a small pipe break, vehicle collision with a hydrant, brief power outage, or minor service repair. Minor emergencies should be manageable without special resources and, if effectively handled, can be prevented from escalating into major emergencies.

*Major Emergency:* A significant event affecting a large portion of the water system, posing risks to water quality or quantity and potentially endangering community health and safety. Major emergencies are rare but impactful.

*Natural Disaster:* Events caused by natural forces beyond human control, including wildfires, earthquakes, floods, tornadoes, heat domes, freezing, and other severe weather-related incidents.

*Human-Caused Disaster:* Disasters resulting from human actions, whether accidental or intentional. These may include human error, accidents, labor disputes, negligence, vandalism, sabotage, terrorism, biological contamination, or chemical spills.

*Hazard:* A source of potential harm or danger linked to a disaster, such as unstable slopes from a creek wash-out or ground shaking from an earthquake.

*Lifeline Supply:* Essential community services that support health, safety, and sustenance. Lifeline utilities include water, wastewater, electricity, and natural gas, as well as critical transportation, communication, healthcare, and emergency operations centres.

### **SECTION 4: Emergency Scenarios**

#### **4.1. Introduction**

Sections 5 and 6 list potential water system emergencies related to the physical components of the water supply. Section 7 describes the steps for a cyber threat or vandalism.

#### **4.2. Emergency Scenario Format**

Each emergency scenario in this ERCP follows a consistent format:

- 4.2.1. **Description of Emergency:** Describes each potential emergency for easy reference. Sections 5 and 6 cover physical water service issues, while Section 7 addresses cyber incidents and vandalism.
- 4.2.2. **Indicators:** Outlines how each emergency can be recognized, either by CRD staff or external contacts.
- 4.2.3. **Actions:** Lists response steps for CRD staff, generally in recommended order. This list serves as a guideline, and the lead Water Operator can use the provided checklist to verify all necessary actions are taken.
- 4.2.4. **Contacts:** Lists relevant contact agencies; specific contacts are found in the ERCP's Communications Section.
- 4.2.5. **Event Record:** A checklist at the page bottom summarizes the event, records whether photos were taken, and tracks emergency reporting.

All events, including minor repairs and leaks, should be documented and sent to the CRD Office for electronic filing. Each event should be recorded by date. Large events should have dedicated folders containing photos and data, following a standardized naming protocol.

### **SECTION 5: Water Supply Contamination**

Description of Emergency: Contamination has been detected or possible contamination is present.

Indicators: Public notification (taste, odour or colour observations), poor water sample results, visible observations made by Water Operators, cross connection with potential contamination.

#### **5.1. Potential Causes**

- 5.1.1. Chemical Spill (e.g. transport truck, industry)
- 5.1.2. Flood Event
- 5.1.3. Confirmed Cross Connection
- 5.1.4. System Breach (e.g. water main break) \*see 6.2.
- 5.1.5. Positive Sample Result (e.g. E. coli or other immediate threat to public health contaminant)
- 5.1.6. Vandalism

#### **Actions:**

- 1) Notify Water Operator.
- 2) Notify Drinking Water Officer (DWO).
- 3) Assess threat level (see Appendix B).
- 4) Notify Communications Department.
- 5) Water Operators to investigate site and inform Manager of Utilities of possible situation. Manager to contact Interior Health.
- 6) Confirm that the source of contaminant is mitigated.
- 7) If chemical contamination confirmed or highly suspected to be present:
  - a) Attempt to isolate.
  - b) Discuss with Engineer, Biologist/Chemist (Lab) and DWO to develop a reasonable and representative sampling program.
  - c) Contact Lab and arrange bottles if required and collect samples for rush analysis.

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- 8) Report any spills to the Provincial Agency responsible (see Appendix A).
- 9) In an extreme situation of contamination, consider shutting down all supply pumps.
  - a) Pump station would shut off and “Do Not Use” notices would be provided to the public. CRD senior management would make this call.
- 10) Communication: Begin public notification if required and follow Water Quality Notification Procedures.
- 11) Continue discussion with appropriate experts for moving forward.
- 12) Discussions to consider alternate water source if needed. Involve Emergency Operations Department and Notify Fire Department.
- 13) Continue monitoring until water quality is back to normal and IH gives approval to lift advisory or notice.
- 14) Complete documentation:
  - a) Record of events, include times and dates.
  - b) Complete a comprehensive damage assessment.
  - c) Investigate potential causes.
  - d) After action report.

### **SECTION 6: Supply Disruption**

#### **6.1. Equipment Failure**

Description of Emergency: This type of emergency is typically caused by extreme weather events that place a very high demand on the Water Treatment Plant, or any other situation where water demands are high, and equipment or infrastructure reduces the ability to maintain maximum output.

Indicators: Visual observations by Water Operators. Failure of equipment as identified by SCADA and alarms.

#### **Actions:**

- 1) Document Situation: Note date, time, location and means of event recognition.
- 2) Notify Water Operator.
- 3) Notify Manager.
- 4) Notify Communications Department.



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- 5) If cause is identified as a main break, see section 6.2.
- 6) Well Site Investigation: Generally, this problem is caused by high flows and overheating VFD's.
- 7) Check in the pumphouse for mechanical issues such as temperatures on variable frequency drive (VFD) displays.
- 8) Check all SCADA pages and trends to determine what is operational, what has failed, or what is at risk of failure.
- 9) Check on alarms.
- 10) Note status of chlorine disinfection, reservoir level, source pump status, chemical dosing status, and raw water flows.
- 11) Check all necessary equipment to confirm proper functionality.
- 12) Check inventory for parts that may be available to aid in necessary repairs. If necessary, contact 100 Mile Public Works for assistance.
- 13) If the issue stems from the VFD's, allow to cool and contract electrician if necessary.
- 14) If issue is due to drawdown in Supply Well, consult Drought Management Plan (Appendix C) and proceed to next step.
- 15) If problem persists:
  - ✓ Communicate with Interior Health, issue an advisory as recommended (see Section 1).
  - ✓ Implement emergency water restrictions (Communications Department).
  - ✓ Contact 100 Mile Fire Department and CRD Protective Services Department to inform them of the situation.
- 16) Complete documentation:
  - a) Record of events, include times and dates.
  - b) Complete a comprehensive damage assessment.
  - c) Investigate potential causes.

### 6.2. Supply Main Break

Description of Emergency: Failure or damage to a water supply main causing loss of water and/or pressure.

Indicators: SCADA alarms indicating pressure loss, calls from residents or staff observations.

**Actions:** Steps to be taken by CRD staff:

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- 1) Contact Manager of Utilities.
- 2) Contact Water Operator.
- 3) Determine location.
- 4) Stop the flow of water by closing valves and isolating the break, depending on the scale of the break (see chart in Appendix B); attempt to maintain positive pressure.
- 5) Contact Manager and describe the emergency.
- 6) Determine what section of the system has been affected by the depressurization.
- 7) If there is a potential that the system has been contaminated, the Manager of Utilities will contact Interior Health for recommendations on issuing a Water Advisory. See Appendix E (follow Communications procedures).
- 8) Make the site safe by implementing traffic control: block road, if necessary, contact traffic control contractor (see Appendix A).
- 9) If possible, mitigate danger to the public and further damage of infrastructure or property. If necessary and feasible, set up sediment control measures and de-chlorinated water released.
- 10) Assess immediate damage.
- 11) Coordinate repair plans with appropriate contractors (see contacts).
- 12) Contact the Provincial Agency responsible (see Appendix) for large discharges of chlorinated water including;
- 13) If there is significant sediment or unchlorinated water in streams.
- 14) Call Fire Department to inform them when hydrants are in or out of service.
- 15) Complete documentation:
  - a) Record of events, include times and dates.
  - b) Complete a comprehensive damage assessment.
  - c) Investigate potential causes.
  - d) After action report.

### **6.3. Extended Loss of BC Hydro Power Supply**

Description of Emergency: The loss of power will stop the pumping systems to supply water to the distribution system and from filling the reservoir. With no power, a full reservoir has approximately 48 hours of water available.

Indicators: SCADA alarms

**Actions:**

- 1) Source a generator.
- 2) Change system settings if necessary to keep reservoirs topped up.
- 3) If sudden phase loss or total power loss causes equipment failure see Section 6.
- 4) If issues with power supply persist:
  - ✓ Contact BC Hydro for information on the timelines for power restoration.
  - ✓ Communicate with Interior Health, issue an advisory as recommended (see Section 1).
  - ✓ Implement emergency water restrictions (Communications Department).
  - ✓ Potentially throttle down the pressure within the distribution to reduce water loss (always above 20 psi).
  - ✓ Contact 100 Mile Fire Department and CRD Protective Services Department to inform them of the situation.

### 6.4. Operator Transportation Routes Compromised

#### 6.4.1. Potential Causes

- Forest fire
- Accident
- Mechanical issues with vehicle
- Construction

Description of Emergency: The usual transportation route to the 103 Mile area is blocked (e.g., by a forest fire or accident), and no operator can be onsite to perform duties.

**Actions:**

- 1) Contact Manager of Utilities.
- 2) Manager will inform Interior Health Officer of situation.
- 3) Continue to monitor system using SCADA.
- 4) If issue persists:
  - ✓ Contact 100 Mile or other Regional Operators for assistance.

- ✓ Reach out to local contact if physical checks are needed. Preferably local contractor with system experience (see Appendix A).
- ✓ Contact the Communications Department to issue applicable advisories (at the recommendation of Interior Health).

5) Complete documentation:

- a) Record of events, include times and dates.
- b) Complete a comprehensive damage assessment.
- c) Investigate potential causes.

### **SECTION 7: Cyber Incident**

#### **7.1. Introduction**

Cyberspace and its underlying infrastructure are vulnerable to a wide range of hazards from both physical attacks as well as cyberthreats. Sophisticated cyber actors and nation-states exploit vulnerabilities to steal information and money and are developing capabilities to disrupt, destroy or threaten the delivery of essential services such as drinking water and wastewater. As with any critical enterprise or corporation, drinking water and wastewater utilities must evaluate and mitigate their vulnerability to a cyber incident and minimize impacts in the event of a successful attack.

Cyber incidents can compromise the ability of water and wastewater utilities to provide clean and safe water to customers, erode customer confidence and result in financial and legal liabilities. The following sections outline actions drinking water and wastewater utilities can take to prepare for, and respond to, cyber incidents.

Indicators: Can include:

- a) Loss of ability to access or use SCADA system.
- b) Visible signs of SCADA network tampering.

**Actions:**

- 1) If possible, disconnect compromised computers from the network to isolate breached components and prevent further damage, such as the spreading of malware. Do not turn off or reboot systems – this preserves evidence and allows for an assessment to be performed.
- 2) Assess any damage to utility systems and equipment, along with disruptions to utility operations.

- 3) Notify utility personnel, take action to restore operations of mission critical processes (e.g., switch to manual operation if necessary), and public notification (if required).
- 4) Report the cyber incident as required to law enforcement and regulatory agencies.

#### **7.2. IT and/or IT Contractor Steps**

- 1) Notify any external entities (e.g., vendors, other government offices) that may have remote connections to the affected network(s).
- 2) Document key information on the incident, including any suspicious calls, emails, or messages before or during the incident, damage to utility systems, and steps taken in response to the incident (including dates and times).
- 3) Review system and network logs and use virus and malware scans to identify affected equipment, systems, accounts and networks.
- 4) Document which user accounts were or are logged on, which programs and processes were or are running, any remote connections to the affected IT systems or network(s) and all open ports and their associated applications. If possible, take a “forensic image” of the affected IT systems to preserve evidence. Tools to take forensic images include Forensic Tool Kit (FTK) and EnCase.
- 5) If possible, identify any malware used in the incident, any remote servers to which data may have been sent during the incident, and the origin of the incident. Canadian Centre for Cyber Security can assist. [contact@cyber.gc.ca](mailto:contact@cyber.gc.ca) or [1-833-CYBER-88](tel:1-833-CYBER-88).
- 6) Research and identify if any employee or customer personally identifiable information (PII) was compromised.
- 7) Check the system back-up time stamp to determine if the back-up was compromised during the incident.
- 8) Document all findings and avoid modifying or deleting any data that might be attributable to the incident.

## **SECTION 8: Drought**

### **8.1 Introduction**

Drought is often caused by a long duration of inadequate rainfall or snowmelt to replenish the level of the water source. It can also be the result of a breakdown in a crucial piece of a water system's infrastructure; or a prolonged issue with water quality that prevents the supply of potable water for an extended period. All of these circumstances can result in a significant depletion in the source capacity or even a complete loss of source. The Cariboo Regional District's Drought Management Plan for the 103 Mile Water System serves as a guide to monitoring, managing and conserving water use in the event of an impending drought. The objectives of this Plan are to:

- 1) Identify the priority users of the water supply.
- 2) Provide direction on water conservation before and during the drought period.
- 3) Establish a guideline for communicating issues and instructions to users and other key contacts.
- 4) List supplemental or alternate sources of potable water in the event of a prolonged drought.

Appendix C outlines the Cariboo Regional District's Drought Management Plan.

## Appendix A: Contacts

**Cariboo Regional District Administrative Staff Emergency Contact Numbers**

Title	Contact	Work #	Cell #
Manager of Utilities	Kelly McDonald	(250) 305-2179	(250) 855-8340
Manager of Communications	Gerald Pinchbeck	(250) 392-3351 Ext. 213	(250) 305-7576
Manager of Emergency Programs	Irene Israel	(250) 392-3351 Ext. 274	
Chief Administrative Officer	Murray Daly	(250) 392-3351 Ext. 214	
Manager of Fire Administration	Cody Braaten	(250) 392-3351 Ext. 265	
Regional Fire Chief	Roger Hollander	(250) 392-3351 Ext. 204	
Environmental Services Assistant	Cheryl McMullen	(250) 392-3351 Ext. 250	

**Cariboo Regional District Water Operators**

Region	Operator	Work #	Cell #
South (100 Mile)	Jourdy Ouellette	1-800-665-3456 (press 5 when prompted)	(250) 945-5661
South (100 Mile)	Larry Perry		(250) 945-4756
South (100 Mile)	Colin Brusic		(250) 945-4312
Central (WL)	Ken Heidema		(250) 855-4097
Central (WL)	Chuck Howes		(250) 855-8563
North (Quesnel)	Tyler Olsen		(250) 255-7697
North (Quesnel)	Phil Wilkins		(250) 255-0910

**Provincial and Federal Contacts**

Organization	Contact	Work #	Emergency #
Interior Health	Diana Tesic-Nagalingam Environmental Health Officer	(250) 851-7340	(250) 320 0501
Interior Health	MHO (after hours on-call)		1-866-457-5648
100 Mile RCMP	Office	(250) 395-2456	911
100 Mile VFD	Chief	(250) 395-2152	911
BC Environmental Emergency Branch	(Report a Spill)	(250) 398 4530	1-800-663-3456
BC Hydro (Electrical)	Office	1-888-769-3766	1-800-224-9376
Canadian Centre for Cyber Security		<a href="https://www.cccs.gc.ca/1-833-CYBER-88">1-833-CYBER-88</a>	
FortisBC (Gas)	Office	1-888-224-2710	1-800-663-9911



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### Contractors

Company	Contact	Work #	Cell #
Electrical and Instrumentation: Garth's Electric	Terry Wiebe	(250) 395-2545	(250) 395-6521
Excavating: Carwen Dirtworks AK Burfoot Excavating & Plumbing	Edward Dalziel Arlyn Burfoot	(250) 395-8882 (250) 706-9205	(250) 808-3002
Instrumentation and SCADA: Exceed Electrical Engineering	Adam Cook	(250) 434-9489	(250) 267-2895
Laboratory: ALS Environmental	Caitlin Fountain	(250) 372-3588	(250) 572-1458
Plumbing: Burgess Plumbing & Heating	Office	(250) 392-3301	(250) 395-4800
Well Pump Installation: AK Burfoot Excavating & Plumbing Big Country Pumps Hillside Pumps Northlands Water & Sewer Precision Service and Pumps	Arlyn Burfoot Rob  Dan Gauthier	(250) 706-9205 (250) 296-3521 (250) 392-7876 (250) 561-1884 (604) 850-7010	

### Municipalities

Municipality	Contact	Work #	Cell #
100 Mile House	100 Mile House Public Works	(250) 395-2434	
100 Mile House	Todd Conway (Director)	(250) 395-2434	
Williams Lake	Patrick Mahood (Manager of Public Works)	(250) 392-2311	(250) 392-0867
Williams Lake	Matt Sutherland	(250) 392-2311	(250) 392-0864

### Media (Communications Department Leads)

Name	Type	Contact	Work #
CFFM The Goat	Radio/Digital		(250) 392-6551
CBC Kamloops	Radio/Digital		(250) 374-6802
100 Mile Free Press	Newspaper/Digital		(250) 395-2219
Global News	Television		(778) 945-9399

## Appendix B: Charts





## Appendix C: Drought Management Plan

## DROUGHT MANAGEMENT PLAN

### Priority Users

The area served by the 103 Mile Water System is comprised of an estimated 158 residents. In a drought situation, the provision of water will be prioritized as follows:

Priority Level	User	Comments
1	Residents	The CRD is obligated to provide water to the residents served by the 103 Mile Water System for basic health and sanitation needs.

### Water Restrictions and Conservation Measures

The following restrictions will be imposed and conservation measures recommended to 103 Mile Water System users at various stages prior to and during a drought:

STAGE 1: PREPAREDNESS	
Permitted Uses	Restrictions
Drinking water Bathing Handwashing dishes or using dishwasher Washing machine Watering plants with a hose or watering can Bathing pets. Washing vehicles.	May 1 to Oct. 1: Lawn watering on reduced days for reduced hours, per bylaws.
	Conservation Measures
	Install water-saving devices.
STAGE 2: IMPENDING DROUGHT – CONSERVATION	
Permitted Uses	Restrictions
Drinking water Bathing Handwashing dishes or using dishwasher Washing machine Watering plants with a hose or watering can	Lawn watering days and hours restricted further. Wash vehicles only if absolutely necessary.
	Conservation Measures
	Bathe pets only as needed. Use washing machine for full loads only. Use dishwasher for full loads only.
STAGE 3: DROUGHT – RESTRICTIONS	
Permitted Uses	Restrictions
Drinking water (all users) Bathing Handwashing dishes or using dishwasher Washing machine	No watering of lawns or watering of plants, per bylaws. No bathing of pets unless absolutely necessary. No washing of vehicles. No filling of swimming pools. No power-washing.
	Conservation Measures
	Bathe only as needed and/or reduce time in shower. Use washing machine for full loads only. Use dishwasher for full loads only.

### Communication Plan

Communication between the CRD and users of the 103 Mile Water System, as well as with key operational contacts, is imperative during an emergency situation. Providing timely and clear

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information and instructions greatly reduces confusion, frustration and anxiety, and enables outside agencies to provide assistance more effectively if needed.

<b>STAGE 1: PREPAREDNESS</b>	
Water use is routinely higher from mid-Spring to the end of Summer each year due to less rainfall, increased lawn and garden maintenance, swimming pools, more frequent car-washing and showers, etc. Water levels are constantly monitored, and watering restrictions are put in place annually from May 1 to October 1 as a preventative measure to minimize depletion of the water supply during these months.	
Procedures (Concurrent)	Target
Finance Dept. mails notice of water restrictions and water conservation recommendations with annual utility bills in April of each year.	Residents
Communications Dept. posts notice of water restrictions and water conservation recommendations on website and social media.	All users of the 103 Mile Water System
Communications Dept. sends notice of water restrictions and water conservation recommendations by email.	Subscribed users.
Water Operators post notice of water restrictions and water conservation recommendations on bulletin boards at 108 Mall, gas station, mailboxes	Users of the 103 Mile Water System who don't have access to a computer.
<b>STAGE 2: POTENTIAL THREAT – DIMINISHED WATER SUPPLY</b>	
If there is little snowmelt in the Spring and rainfall in the Spring/Summer is not enough to bring the source of the water supply to an adequate level, further restrictions on water use may be required. Prolonged water quality issues may result in having to obtain water from an alternate source until rectified. Any significant or ongoing issues would indicate that action is required to prevent the possibility of a water supply crisis.	
Procedures	Target
1. Inform key contacts of possible threat to water source: Water Operators notify Manager of Utilities Manager of Utilities informs other key contacts	Manager of Utilities Drinking Water Officer Electoral Area Director Manager of Fire Administration
2. At Interior Health's direction, Manager of Utilities and Communications Dept. have public notice mailed to users, posted on website, social media, and on local bulletin boards. Communications Dept. sends public notice by email.	All users of the 103 Mile Water System Subscribed users
3. Manager of Utilities notifies CRD Managers involved in Emergency Planning as a precautionary measure.	Chief Administrative Officer Manager of Communications Manager of Emergency Programs
4. Manager of Utilities, Water Operators and Electoral Area Director hold public meeting to discuss potential drought, further restrictions required and recommended conservation measures.	All users of the 103 Mile Water System
5. Manager of Utilities notifies other agencies as a precautionary measure that assistance may be required if situation can't be rectified.	District of 100 Mile Ministry of Water, Land and Resource Stewardship Ministry of Emergency Management and Climate Readiness

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<b>STAGE 3: EMERGENCY – SIGNIFICANT DEPLETION OR LACK OF SOURCE</b>	
The following situations are considered critical:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An inability to keep the water supply at a level that will provide enough water to meet the basic health and sanitation needs of the users.</li> <li>• A prolonged issue with the water system infrastructure that results in the inability to provide water to the users.</li> <li>• A severe or prolonged water quality issue that cannot be easily rectified.</li> <li>• The inability to provide an adequate water supply for fire protection.</li> <li>• An ongoing water supply issue that results in significant losses for businesses in the service area.</li> </ul>	
<b>Procedures</b>	<b>Target</b>
1. Inform key contacts of crisis situation. Discuss further steps: Water Operators inform Manager of Utilities. Manager of Utilities notifies other key contacts.	Manager of Utilities Drinking Water Officer Electoral Area Director Chief Administrative Officer Manager of Fire Administration Manager of Communications Manager of Emergency Programs
2. At Interior Health's direction, Manager of Utilities and Communications Dept. have public notice mailed to users, and posted on website, social media, and local bulletin boards.	All users of the 103 Mile Water System
Communications Dept. sends notice of emergency situation by email and via Voyent Alert.	Subscribed users
3. Manager of Utilities and Communications Dept. post notice in local newspaper; make radio announcements.	All users of the 103 Mile Water System
4. Manager of Utilities, Water Operators and Electoral Area Director hold public meeting to discuss further steps.	All users of the 103 Mile Water System
5. Manager of Utilities notifies other agencies. Discuss what assistance may be available.	District of 100 Mile Ministry of Water, Land and Resource Stewardship Ministry of Emergency Management and Climate Readiness

### Supplemental or Alternate Sources of Potable Water

<b>Supplemental or Alternate Source</b>	<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Capacity Available</b>	<b>Estimated Time To Deliver</b>	<b>Estimated Cost</b>
Backup Water Source				
Reservoir Rental Company				
Bulk Haul Water	District of 100 Mile 250-395-2434 Bulk Water Station is just off Exeter Truck Route near Co-Op Cardlock  Triple P Sanitation (upon verification of IH permit)	Not specified   Not specified	Pick up only	\$100 upon opening a/c, plus \$0.15 per litre.



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Other Water Supplier	Triple P Sanitation (upon verification of IH permit)	Not specified		
Bottled Water	Cariboo Water Purification Centre	Not specified	Tuesdays	\$6.50 / 5 Gal \$4.00 / 3 Gal
	Cool Clear Water	Not specified		
	Williams Lake Water Factory	Not specified		

### Operational Procedures

Action		Person Responsible
1	Ensure pump is shut off (to protect pump).	Water Operator
2	Notify all users by social media, email distribution, radio and public bulletins. High risk users to be notified by telephone call. Situationally assessed for best means of communication process.	Manager of Utilities Manager of Communications
3	Contact government agencies (see below) for advice and assistance.	Manager of Utilities
4	Arrange alternate source (e.g. bottled water, bulk hauler and storage tank).	Manager of Utilities
<b>Government Agency Contacts:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drinking Water Officer</li> <li>• Local government's Emergency Program Coordinator</li> <li>• Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations</li> <li>• Others as necessary, depending on severity (ie. Fire Department)</li> </ul>		

## Appendix D: Templates

**Damage Assessment Summary (EOC 415)**

<b>DAMAGE ASSESSMENT SUMMARY</b>				
<b>Event:</b>	<b>Time:</b>		<b>Date:</b>	
	<b>Operational Period:</b>		<b>PEP Task #:</b>	
		<b>Number</b>	<b>Estimated Value</b>	
		<b>Comments</b>		
<b>Public Property</b>	▪ Municipal Facilities Damaged			
	▪ Municipal Facilities Destroyed			
	▪ Public Facilities Damaged			
	▪ Public Facilities Destroyed			
	▪ Provincial Facilities Damaged			
	▪ Provincial Facilities Destroyed			
	▪ Federal Facilities Damaged			
	▪ Federal Facilities Destroyed			
	▪ Roads Damaged			
	▪ Roads Destroyed			
	▪ Bridges Damaged			
	▪ Bridges Destroyed			
	▪ Railroads Damaged			
	▪ Railroads Destroyed			
	▪ Water Supply Damaged			
	▪ Sewers Damaged			
	<b>Total Public Damage:</b>			
	<b>Private Property</b>	▪ Residential Buildings Damaged		
▪ Residential Buildings Destroyed				
▪ Businesses Damaged				
▪ Businesses Destroyed				
▪ Agriculture Damaged				
▪ Agriculture Destroyed				
<b>Total Private Damage:</b>				
<b>Priority Repairs/Restoration:</b>				
<b>Prepared By:</b>		<b>Date and Time:</b>		

**Action Plan (EOC 502)**

<b>EOC ACTION PLAN</b>					
<b>Event:</b>		<b>Date:</b>		<b>Time:</b>	
<b>Operational Period:</b>		<b>PEP Task #:</b>		<b>Prepared By:</b>	
<b>Objectives:</b> (In priority order, for the designated operational period)					
<b>Tasks/Action Items:</b>				<b>Function Assigned</b>	<b>Estimated Completion Time</b>
<b>Attachments:</b> (Check if attached)					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Organization Chart	<input type="checkbox"/>	Public Information Plan	<input type="checkbox"/>	Communication Plan
<input type="checkbox"/>	EOC Floor Plan	<input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation Plan	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Situation Map	<input type="checkbox"/>	Evacuation Plan	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Recommended By</b> (Planning Section Chief):			<b>Approved By</b> (EOC Director):		

- Distribution:**
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| <input type="checkbox"/> EOC Director<br><input type="checkbox"/> Risk Management Officer<br><input type="checkbox"/> Liaison Officer<br><input type="checkbox"/> Information Officer<br><input type="checkbox"/> Posted for ALL EOC Personnel | <input type="checkbox"/> Operation Section Chief<br><input type="checkbox"/> Planning Section Chief<br><input type="checkbox"/> Logistics Section Chief<br><input type="checkbox"/> Finance/Administration Section Chief<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
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## Appendix E: Communications Templates



The Cariboo Regional District has issued a Boil Water Notice to users of the **{SYSTEM NAME}** Water System, pursuant to a request of a Drinking Water Officer under Section 14 of the *Drinking Water Protection Act*. This Notice remains in effect until further notice.

The Cariboo Regional District's water systems are tested regularly to ensure they meet public health regulations. This boil water notice is being issued because **{REASON}**. This notice is being issued **{CHOOSE: as a precautionary measure to protect public health. OR in order to protect public health and safety from significant health risks presented by pathogens in the water supply.}**

All users of the **{WATER SYSTEM NAME}** Water System are asked to bring water to a rolling boil for a minimum of one minute before using water from the system for:

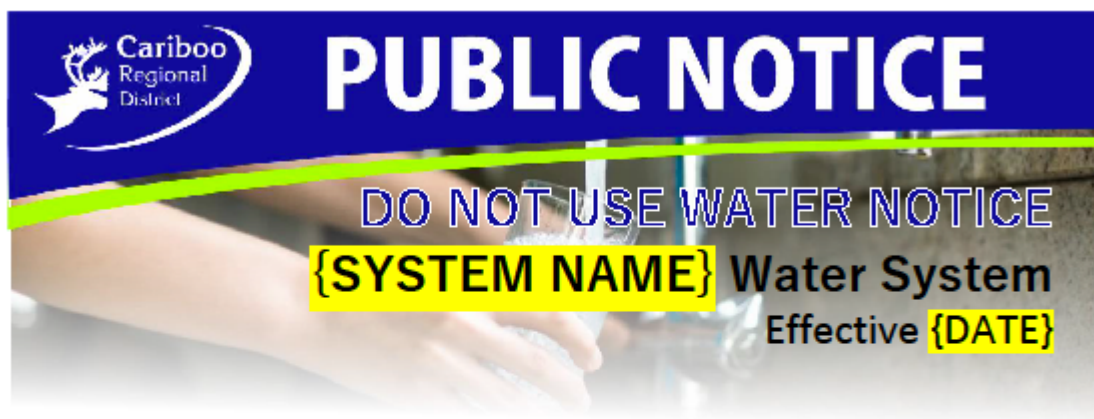
- Drinking (or use an alternate, safe source of water)
- Cooking (if not boiled)
- Brushing teeth
- Washing Dishes
- Washing fruits or vegetables to be eaten raw
- Watering animals

Also, please use hand sanitizer after washing hands.

If you have further questions, please call Environmental Services at 1-800-665-1636 during regular office hours.

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The Cariboo Regional District has issued a Do Not Use Notice to users of the **{SYSTEM NAME}** Water System, pursuant to a request of a Drinking Water Officer under Section 14 of the *Drinking Water Protection Act*. This Notice remains in effect until further notice.

The Cariboo Regional District's water systems are tested regularly to ensure they meet public health regulations. Due to the presence of {if known, be specific, or if unknown say "contaminants in the water supply posing an immediate threat to resident's safety"}, the Cariboo Regional District is implementing this until further notice. Follow all instructions below:

**All users of the {WATER SYSTEM NAME} Water System are asked to immediately stop using water from the system for any purpose. This includes: drinking, making beverages or ice, brushing teeth, preparing or washing food, bathing, water for animals, washing anything (including vehicles), and watering plants.**

**Do not turn your taps on for any reason. Boiling water will NOT make it safe! Water from your hot water tank may also be unsafe, and you are advised to consult a qualified plumber before draining the tank.**

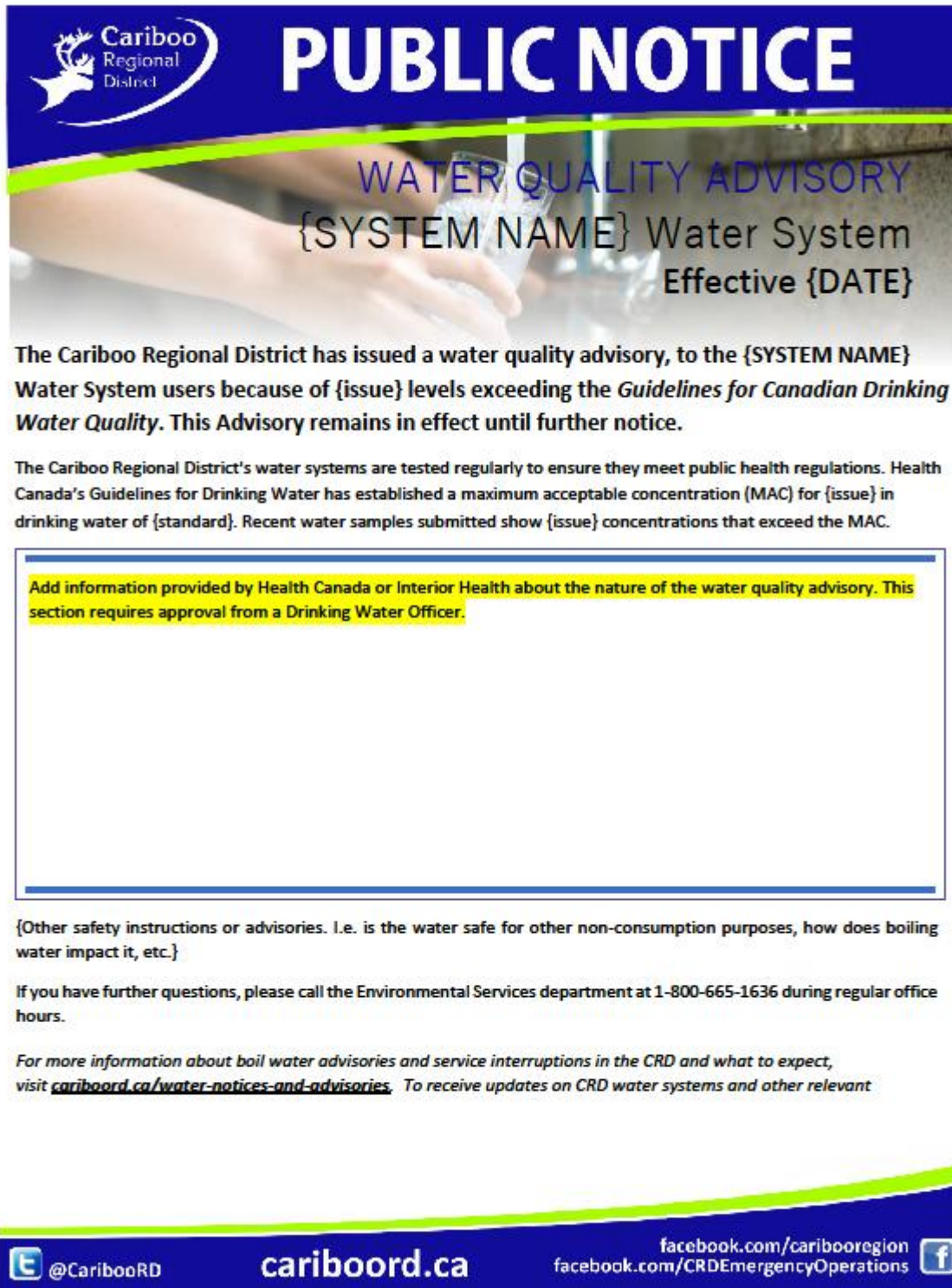
**The Cariboo Regional District has contacted Interior Health and the Ministry of Environment to request their cooperation in investigating this matter. In addition, the Cariboo Regional District is taking immediate action to find another source of water supply for residents of {WATER SYSTEM NAME}.**

**During this time, an alternate water source will be available at {ADDRESS AND OPERATING HOURS}.**

If you have further questions, please call Environmental Services at 1-800-665-1636 during regular office hours.

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The image shows a public notice template for a water quality advisory. At the top left is the Cariboo Regional District logo, which features a stylized caribou head and the text "Cariboo Regional District". To the right of the logo, the words "PUBLIC NOTICE" are written in large, bold, white capital letters on a dark blue background. Below this, a photograph of hands filling a glass of water from a tap is shown. Overlaid on the photo is the text "WATER QUALITY ADVISORY" in blue, followed by "{SYSTEM NAME} Water System" in black, and "Effective {DATE}" in black. Below the photo, there are three paragraphs of text. The first paragraph states that the Cariboo Regional District has issued a water quality advisory to the {SYSTEM NAME} Water System users because of {issue} levels exceeding the Guidelines for Canadian Drinking Water Quality. The second paragraph explains that the district's water systems are tested regularly and that recent samples show {issue} concentrations that exceed the MAC. The third paragraph is a placeholder for information provided by Health Canada or Interior Health, with a yellow highlight and a note that this section requires approval from a Drinking Water Officer. Below this placeholder, there is a line of text for other safety instructions. The bottom of the notice includes contact information for the Environmental Services department and a link to the district's website for more information. At the very bottom, there is a dark blue footer bar with social media icons and links for Twitter (@CaribooRD), the website (cariboord.ca), and Facebook (facebook.com/caribooregion and facebook.com/CRDEmergencyOperations).

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# PUBLIC NOTICE

**WATER QUALITY ADVISORY**  
**{SYSTEM NAME} Water System**  
**Effective {DATE}**

The Cariboo Regional District has issued a water quality advisory, to the {SYSTEM NAME} Water System users because of {issue} levels exceeding the *Guidelines for Canadian Drinking Water Quality*. This Advisory remains in effect until further notice.

The Cariboo Regional District's water systems are tested regularly to ensure they meet public health regulations. Health Canada's Guidelines for Drinking Water has established a maximum acceptable concentration (MAC) for {issue} in drinking water of {standard}. Recent water samples submitted show {issue} concentrations that exceed the MAC.

Add information provided by Health Canada or Interior Health about the nature of the water quality advisory. This section requires approval from a Drinking Water Officer.

{Other safety instructions or advisories. I.e. is the water safe for other non-consumption purposes, how does boiling water impact it, etc.}

If you have further questions, please call the Environmental Services department at 1-800-665-1636 during regular office hours.

For more information about boil water advisories and service interruptions in the CRD and what to expect, visit [cariboord.ca/water-notices-and-advisories](http://cariboord.ca/water-notices-and-advisories). To receive updates on CRD water systems and other relevant

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# PUBLIC NOTICE

## WATER QUALITY ADVISORY {SYSTEM NAME} Water System Effective {DATE}

The Cariboo Regional District has issued a water quality advisory, to the {SYSTEM NAME} Water System users because of manganese (Mn) levels exceeding the *Guidelines for Canadian Drinking Water Quality*. This Advisory remains in effect until further notice.

The Cariboo Regional District's water systems are tested regularly to ensure they meet public health regulations. Health Canada has established a maximum acceptable concentration (MAC) for manganese in drinking water of 0.12 mg/L. Recent water samples submitted show manganese concentrations that exceed the MAC.

Manganese (Mn) is an element found in air, food, soil and drinking water. While a small amount of Mn is essential for human health, new Health Canada research has shown drinking water with too much Mn can be a risk to health for infants and young children.

**Infants and young children are the most sensitive and vulnerable population**, as their bodies absorb more manganese and cannot regulate or remove the chemical as readily as adults and older children. As a result, the drinking water from this system must not be used to prepare formula for bottle-fed infants. An alternate source of safe drinking water, such as bottled water, must be used when preparing formula for infants and young children. **Boiling the water will not lower the manganese level.**

Breastfed infants are generally considered at lower risk to manganese exposure as the transfer of manganese to breast milk is limited. Pregnant or breastfeeding women who have concerns may wish to use a safe, alternate source of drinking water or consult with a healthcare professional.

Water exceeding the MAC for manganese can be used for cooking and drinking by non-vulnerable groups and is still considered safe for hand washing, bathing and showering. If you have further questions, please call the Environmental Services department at 1-800-665-1636 during regular office hours.

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The Cariboo Regional District has issued a water quality advisory for users of the Forest Grove Water System because of a positive test result for low coliform found in the system.

For this reason, as precautionary measure, any high-risk users, including those with weakened immune systems, young children and those on dialysis are advised to:

- use purchased bottled water or boiled water for drinking, brushing teeth, dishwashing, preparing food, and making ice, or
- bring water to a roiling boil for one minute, then cool to an appropriate temperature before using.

The CRD regularly tests the water system as part of its Water Quality Monitoring Program. The advisory will remain in effect until further notice. We apologize in advance for any inconvenience this may cause.

When satisfactory results are reported from the required testing, customers will be notified that the advisory has been lifted. If you have questions, please call the Environmental Services department at 1-800-665-1636. If calling outside of regular business hours (8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday), please dial "5" when prompted to reach our emergency after hours contact.

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