

Mobile Area Water & Sewer System Temporary Boil Water Advisory Update

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The water main break near Chin Street and Paper Mill Road has been repaired. MAWSS crews will be flushing hydrants in the affected area and testing the water. Some water testing procedures can take up to 24 hours to get results. When water is first restored to the customer's premises, do not drink it from the tap, but follow the tips below.

Below are tips about water usage during a Boil Water Advisory.

- Flush faucets and drinking fountains for at least 3 minutes or until discoloration (if present) in the water is gone.
- Boil water for three minutes or use bottled water for consumption, cooking, brushing teeth, etc. Let water cool before use.
- Wash hands with waterless sanitizer or wash hands vigorously with soap for at least 20 seconds.
- Empty refrigerator ice trays and run three cycles of ice to clear refrigerator water lines.
- Use hot water washing and hot air drying for dish washer use.
- Use bottled water or boiled water for hand washing dishes. Tap water can be used if dishes are rinsed for at least 1 minute in a solution of 1 tablespoon of bleach to one gallon of tap water.
- Bathe or shower but do not drink the water.
- Wash clothes using normal procedures.

The Boil Water Advisory is expected to be lifted Wednesday evening. MAWSS will issue another public advisory when water boiling is no longer necessary.

The Boil Water Advisory affects MAWSS customers who are north of Bay Bridge Road and east of the Norfolk Southern Railway and farther north along Hwy 43 to Jacintoport Boulevard.

For additional information, customers should contact the MAWSS customer care line at 694-3165.

A map of the affected areas is shown on the following page.

