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## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER** **HEALTH ADVISORY**

### **LAUREL MUNICIPAL WATER** **MT0000270**

#### **Water System Water may be Contaminated Due to High Turbidities**

Our water system recently experienced high turbidities. Although this is not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we are doing to correct this situation.

This **Health Advisory** is precautionary. The Laurel Municipal water treatment plant experienced higher than normal turbidities on the **14<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, and the 30<sup>th</sup> of June**. The system failed to notify the Montana Department of Environmental Quality, as required after the exceedances. Due to the turbidity exceedances, disinfection treatment may not have been sufficient, and the quality of water produced at that time cannot be assured.

#### **What should I do?**

- **You do not need to boil your water or take other corrective actions.** However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.
- *People with severely compromised immune systems, infants, and some elderly may be at increased risk. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.*

#### **What does this mean?**

This is not an emergency. If it had been you would have been notified immediately.

#### **What is being done?**

Water treatment plant personnel are closely monitoring the situation and will notify users if the situation worsens. Standard operating procedures will be implemented to

ensure the required notification happens should issues arise in the future. More information will be posted on Laurel's website <https://cityoflaurelmontana.com/> .

For more information, please contact Kurt Markegard, Public Works Director at 406-628-4796, [kmarkegard@laurel.mt.gov](mailto:kmarkegard@laurel.mt.gov) or PO Box 10, Laurel, MT 59044. 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.

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

This notice is being sent to you by **the Laurel Municipal Water System**  
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