

BOIL WATER ORDER

December 5, 2017

CASITAS MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

FAILURE TO FOLLOW THIS ADVISORY COULD RESULT IN STOMACH OR INTESTINAL ILLNESS.

The fire emergency in Western Ventura County and power outages in the area and has caused a loss of pressure and/or water supply that is impacting drinking water for the City of Ventura, Foster Park, and Casitas Springs areas. The California Department of Health Services and the Casitas Municipal Water District Are advising Casitas' customers in these areas to use boiled tap water or bottled water for drinking and cooking purposes as a safety precaution.

ALL TAP WATER USED FOR DRINKING AND COOKING SHOULD BE BOILED TO A ROLLING BOIL FOR APPROXIMATELY ONE (1) MINUTE. THIS IS THE PREFERRED METHOD TO ASSURE THAT THE WATER IS SAFE TO DRINK.

An alternative method of purification for residents who do not have gas or electricity available is to use fresh liquid household bleach (Chlorox, Purex, etc.). To do so, mix in eight (8) drops (or ¼ teaspoon) of bleach per gallon of water, and allow to stand for 30 minutes before using. **Be sure to mix thoroughly.** If the water looks cloudy or dirty, you should not drink it.

A chlorine-like taste and odor will result from this purification procedure and is an indication that adequate disinfection has taken place.

Water treatment, and water quality testing are being conducted by the Water Company to resolve this emergency water supply problem. The Casitas Municipal Water District will notify residents as soon as the water supply is restored and the water is safe to drink.

For more information call (Casitas phones may be temporarily out of service):

Casitas Municipal Water District: (805) 649-2251

California Department of Health Services: (805) 566-1326