

## **No Boil Water Advisory**

The planned water main repair on Pinewoods Avenue did not go according to plan. When dealing with 100 plus year old infrastructure sometimes equipment does not work. The valve which was to be used to isolate the water to the work area did not hold back the water. The leakage rate around the valve was too great to safely continue with the planned repair. This resulted in having to go back to the next working valve in Eagle Mills and close this valve. A much greater number of homes were impacted. After six hours of trying to isolate the work area we accomplished a shutdown of the water and install a temporary repair in less than 4 hours and did not have to cut open the water main to install a new valve and hydrant connection.

The water will be discolored because of the iron sediment which get stirred up when you drain a 16 inch water main which is 113 years old. The water is safe to use. The Water Department will assess the situation tomorrow to determine if more flushing needs to be done.

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