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WATER DEPARTMENT
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DRINKING WATER BOIL ADVISORY

BOIL YOUR WATER BEFORE USING OR USE BOTTLED WATER

Due to a major water main break on the 12-inch water main on **Hubbard Road** between **Logan** and **Albert Street**, the Youngstown Water Department has issued a drinking water boil advisory for customers the following areas:

- **City of Youngstown**
- **Boardman Township**
- **Liberty Township**

The break may have allowed organisms that can cause illness to enter the water supply, though we have not found any evidence that the water system is contaminated. As a precaution, we are sharing this advisory to keep residents informed of a potential concern.

Our crews are currently working to fix the line and we will provide additional informing and timing once it becomes available.

Customers in **Canfield** and **Austintown** are **NOT** affected

DO NOT DRINK THE WATER WITHOUT BOILING IT FIRST

Bring all water to a rolling boil for **at least one (1) minute**, then allow it to cool before use, **OR** use bottled water. Boiling water kills bacteria and other organisms that may be present.

- Use **boiled or bottled water** for:
 - Drinking
 - Making ice
 - Brushing teeth
 - Washing dishes
 - Food preparation

The water leak may also cause low water pressure or a temporary loss of water as well as additional disruptions in water quality including discolored water and/or potentially a temporary increase in lead levels in the drinking water. As a standard practice the USEPA recommends the following actions to reduce possible lead exposure in drinking water:

- If water has not been used for several hours, run the tap until there is a noticeable temperature drop. Then, run water for 30 seconds to 3 minutes before using it for drinking and cooking. This helps flush water that may contain lead that leached from plumbing.
- Use cold water for cooking, drinking, and preparing baby formula. Boiling the water will not reduce lead.
- Clean your faucet aerator regularly.

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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 or visit Drinktap.org and www.epa.gov/safewater.

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