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Boil Advisory Lifted for Most of Lafourche

Lafourche Parish Water District #1 has lifted the boil advisory for most areas of the parish.

The boil advisory continues for the areas below the Leon Theriot Floodgates, the Grand Bois community, Marydale subdivision in Thibodaux and Romero subdivision in lower Bayou Blue. Residents of these areas are urged to boil water for one full minute before use.

Residents in all areas of Lafourche Parish should be aware that they may experience taste, odor and color in their water due to the quality of water in Bayou Lafourche. These characteristics are aesthetic issues and do not represent a health concern.

Detailed Procedures from Lafourche Parish Water District #1 for disinfecting water:

1. Boil water for one full minute in a clean container. The one-minute boil time begins after the water has been brought to a rolling boil. (The flat taste can be eliminated by shaking the water in a bottle or pouring it from one container to another.)
2. If the water is clear, mix 1/8 teaspoon of unscented, liquid chlorine laundry bleach with one gallon of water and let it stand for at least 30 minutes prior to consumption. If the water is cloudy or colored, use 1/4 teaspoon per gallon of water. Be sure to mix thoroughly. If the treated water has too strong a chlorine taste, it can be made more palatable by allowing the water to stand exposed to the air for a few hours or by pouring it from one clean container to another several times.
3. If the water is clear, mix five drops of 2% United States Pharmacopeia (USP) tincture of iodine solution (common household tincture of iodine from the medicine cabinet or first aid package) to each quart of clear water and let it stand for at least 30 minutes prior to consumption. If the water is cloudy or colored, use 10 drops to each quart of water.