

ORDER OF AN EXECUTIVE OFFICER Boil Water Order

To: Randy Sawatzky
"the Owner"

RE: The Drinking Water Supply located in Foothills County, Alberta and municipally described as: The Ridge Okotoks Event Centre – Water Supply, 300-344153 5 Street W

WHEREAS I, an **Executive Officer** of **Alberta Health Services**, have received water reports about the above noted drinking water supply pursuant to the provisions of the Public Health Act, RSA 2000, c. P-37, as amended;

AND WHEREAS such reports disclosed that the following conditions exist in and about the above noted drinking water supply which are or may become injurious or dangerous to the public health or which might hinder in any manner the prevention or suppression of disease, namely:

- a. Water supplying the premises may be unsafe for human consumption as indicated by a water sample collected on the 14th of July 2025 that showed the presence of Total Coliforms bacteria.
- b. Water supplying the premises may be unsafe for human consumption as indicated by a water sample collected on the 16th of July 2025 that showed the presence of Total Coliforms bacteria.

AND WHEREAS such reports disclosed that the following breaches of the Public Health Act Nuisance and General Sanitation Regulation, Alberta Regulation 243/2003 exist in and about the above noted Drinking Water Supply, namely:

- a. Water supplying the premises may be unsafe for human consumption as indicated by a water sample collected on the 14th of July 2025 that showed the presence of Total Coliforms bacteria. This is in contravention of the Food Regulation Section 17(1)(f)(i), which states "An operator must ensure that, before operation of the commercial food establishment commences, the commercial food establishment is supplied with hot and cold running water that is safe for human consumption and available in quantities sufficient to meet the needs of the commercial food establishment".
- b. Water supplying the premises may be unsafe for human consumption as indicated by a water sample collected on the 16th of July 2025 that showed the presence of Total Coliforms bacteria. This is in contravention of the Food Regulation Section 17(1)(f)(i), which states "An operator must ensure that, before operation of the commercial food establishment commences, the commercial food establishment is supplied with hot and cold running water that is safe for human consumption and available in quantities sufficient to meet the needs of the commercial food establishment".

AND WHEREAS by virtue of the foregoing, the above noted Drinking Water Supply is hereby declared **unfit for human consumption**;

NOW THEREFORE, I hereby **ORDER** and **DIRECT**:

1. That the Owner immediately issues a Boil Water Advisory to all users of the above noted Drinking Water Supply.
2. That the Owner immediately undertake and diligently pursue the completion of the following work in and about the above noted drinking water supply, namely:
 - a. Post do not drink advisory signs next to all water fixtures that are accessible to the public.
 - b. Provide hand sanitizer of at least 60% alcohol content at all handwashing sinks for the disinfection of hands after they are washed.
 - c. Provide potable water from an approved source or provide water that has been boiled for one minute to staff or patrons until the drinking water is deemed safe for human consumption by an Executive Officer of Alberta Health Services.
 - d. Ensure that all food processing and preparation is done with potable water from an approved source.
 - e. Discard ice and any other food or drink item made with untreated water which will be served uncooked.
 - f. Ensure that all utensils, counters, and food contact surfaces are sanitized using an approved sanitizing step.
 - g. Discontinue use of pop machines, ice machines, and any other equipment directly plumbed to water system.
 - h. Assess the water system to identify any potential causes of contamination and conduct any maintenance or treatment required.
 - i. Submit water samples as directed by an Executive Officer after completing the work described in 2(h) to demonstrate the water is potable.
3. The work referred to in paragraph 2 (a) through (g) shall be completed immediately.
4. The work referred to in paragraph 2 (h) and (i) shall be completed by the 15th of August 2025.
5. That, until such time as the work referred to in the order and paragraph 2 is completed to the satisfaction of the undersigned, or an executive officer of Alberta Health Services, and water samples submitted under 2(i) are shown to be satisfactory, that this order shall remain in effect.

The above conditions were noted at the time of receipt of the reports and may not necessarily reflect all deficiencies. You are advised that further work may be required to ensure full compliance with the Public Health Act and regulations, or to prevent a public health nuisance.

DATED at Okotoks, Alberta, July 18, 2025.

Confirmation of a verbal order issued to Randy Sawatzky on July 18, 2025.

Executive Officer
Alberta Health Services

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A person who a) is directly affected by a decision of a Regional Health Authority, and
 b) feels himself aggrieved by the decision

may appeal the decision by submitting a Notice of Appeal form within ten (10) days after receiving the order to:

Public Health Appeal Board
c/o Central Reception
Main Floor, ATB Place North Tower
10025 Jasper Avenue NW
Edmonton, Alberta, T5J 1S6
Phone: 780-222-5186
Fax: 780-422-0914
Email: HealthAppealBoard@gov.ab.ca
Website: <https://www.alberta.ca/public-health-appeal-board.aspx>

A Notice of Appeal form may be obtained by contacting the Public Health Appeal Board or visiting their website.

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