

ORDER OF AN EXECUTIVE OFFICER Boil Water Order

To: Alberta Parks
"the Owner"

RE: The Drinking Water Supply located in Lac La Biche County, Alberta and municipally described as: Pinehurst Provincial Recreation Area – Drinking Water Cisterns at Loop A and Loop B, located at NE-20-65-10-W4M and Group A, located at SE-29-65-10-W4M.

WHEREAS I, an **Executive Officer of Alberta Health Services**, have received 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. The water supplying Pinehurst Provincial Recreation Area – Drinking Water Cistern Loop A may be unsafe for human consumption, as evidenced by the detection of 165 Total Coliforms in a microbiological sample collected on July 28, 2026.
- b. The water supplying Pinehurst Provincial Recreation Area – Drinking Water Cistern Group A may be unsafe for human consumption, as evidenced by consecutive microbiological water samples from the cistern confirming the presence of 10 Total Coliforms in a microbiological sample collected on July 28, 2026 and the presence of Total Coliforms in a microbiological sample collected on July 21, 2026.
- c. The water supplying Pinehurst Provincial Recreation Area – Drinking Water Cistern Loop B may be unsafe for human consumption, as evidenced by consecutive microbiological water samples from the cistern confirming the presence of 31 Total Coliforms in a microbiological sample collected on July 28, 2026 and the presence of Total Coliforms in a microbiological sample collected on July 21, 2026.

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. The water supplying Pinehurst Provincial Recreation Area – Drinking Water Cistern Loop A may be unsafe for human consumption, as evidenced by the detection of 165 Total Coliforms in a microbiological sample collected on July 28, 2026, which is in contravention of the Nuisance and General Sanitation Regulation Section 11, which states "Where a person provided a source of water that the person intends to be used or realizes or ought to realize will be used by the public for human consumption, the person shall ensure that the water is potable".
- b. The water supplying Pinehurst Provincial Recreation Area – Drinking Water Cistern Group A may be unsafe for human consumption, as evidenced by consecutive microbiological water samples from the cistern confirming the presence of 10 Total Coliforms in a microbiological

sample collected on July 28, 2026 and the presence of Total Coliforms in a microbiological sample collected on July 21, 2026, which is in contravention of the Nuisance and General Sanitation Regulation Section 11, which states “Where a person provided a source of water that the person intends to be used or realizes or ought to realize will be used by the public for human consumption, the person shall ensure that the water is potable”.

- c. The water supplying Pinehurst Provincial Recreation Area – Drinking Water Cistern Loop B may be unsafe for human consumption, as evidenced by consecutive microbiological water samples from the cistern confirming the presence of 31 Total Coliforms in a microbiological sample collected on July 28, 2026 and the presence of Total Coliforms in a microbiological sample collected on July 21, 2026, which is in contravention of the Nuisance and General Sanitation Regulation Section 11, which states “Where a person provided a source of water that the person intends to be used or realizes or ought to realize will be used by the public for human consumption, the person shall ensure that the water is potable”.

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 clear signage at all locations where water from the aforementioned supply is accessible to the public, advising users that the water must be brought to a rolling boil for at least one minute prior to using it for domestic purposes, including drinking, making infant formula and juices, brushing teeth, washing raw foods and making ice.
 - b. Assess the water system for potential sources of contamination and undertake any required maintenance, including flushing, cleaning and disinfection, to ensure the water supply is potable.
 - c. Once the above repairs and/or maintenance work has been completed, submit two (2) sets of microbiological water samples to the Provincial Laboratory of Public Health. The samples must be collected at least 24 hours apart. All water samples must be satisfactory and confirm the absence of Total Coliforms and E. coli.
3. That, until such time as the work referred to in paragraph 2 is completed to the satisfaction of the undersigned, or an executive officer of Alberta Health Services, 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 Lac La Biche, Alberta, July 30, 2026

Confirmation of a verbal order issued to Miguel Bernard on July 30, 2026.

Executive Officer
Alberta Health Services

If you have any questions regarding the order, contact Environmental Public Health at 1-833-476-4743 or
<https://www.albertahealthservices.ca/eph/eph.aspx>

You have the right to appeal

A person who is directly affected by a 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.

Health Legislation, Regulations and Standards

Electronic versions of the Public Health Act and Regulations are available at the Alberta King's Printer Bookstore 10611 - 98 Avenue, Main Floor, Park Plaza, Edmonton, Alberta, T5K 2P7 or
<https://www.alberta.ca/alberta-kings-printer.aspx>.

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