

## **EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S ORDER**

**To: Randy and Ginny Donahue – Owners of Sierra West Cabins and Ranch Vacations**

**RE: Sierra West Cabins and Ranch Vacations  
NW 14-9-2 W5M M.D. of Ranchland**

WHEREAS I, an Executive Officer of Alberta Health Services, have inspected the above premises pursuant to the provisions of the Public Health Act, RSA 2000, c. P-37, as amended;

AND WHEREAS such inspection disclosed that the following conditions exist in and about the above noted premises 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. Executive Officers cannot be assured that the water supplied to users of Sierra West Cabins and Ranch Vacations eliminates the risk of injury or disease from pathogens.
- b. The drinking water in its current state can be considered a public nuisance.

AND WHEREAS such inspection disclosed that the following breaches of the Public Health Act and the Regulations there under exist in and about the above noted premises, namely:

- a. Nuisance and General Sanitation Regulation AR 243/2003  
Water supplied to users of Sierra West Cabins and Ranch Vacations is not potable due to well construction, well location, and bacteriological sampling history, which is in contravention of Section 11 of the Nuisance and General Sanitation Regulation which states: "Where a person provides 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."

NOW THEREFORE, I hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. That the owner immediately undertake and diligently pursue the completion of the following work in and about the above noted premises, namely:
  - a. That the owner immediately issue an Advisory to all users of Sierra West Cabins and Ranch Vacations water supply to:
    - i. NOT drink the water from the well system unless it has been boiled for 1 minute.
    - ii. Use bottled water or water from an approved alternative source.
  - b. That the owner must:
    - i. Provide a potable water source for kitchen and guest use.
    - ii. Post signage, indicating that the water is non-potable and should be boiled for at least one minute prior to domestic use or consumption, at each tap or filling location. This includes inside cabins, at washroom sinks, and at showers.
    - iii. Provide alcohol based hand sanitizer at sinks for use after hand washing with the well water.
  - c. That until such time as the source of water is shown to be potable 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 inspection 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 Blairmore, Alberta, May 12, 2011

## You have the right to appeal

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 within ten (10) days after receiving the order to the Public Health Appeal Board located at 24<sup>th</sup> Floor, Telus Plaza, 10025 - Jasper Avenue, Edmonton, Alberta, T5J 1S6. Telephone (780) 427-2813.

The terms of this Order remain in effect notwithstanding the filing or proposed filing of any such appeal. If you appeal, you may also make an application to the Board for a stay of this Order pending the appeal.

A copy of the Public Health Appeal form may be obtained by contacting Alberta Health Services at (780) 342-0122, or the Public Health Appeal Board (780) 427-2813.

You are advised that all orders remain in effect pending such an appeal

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