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## **Precautionary Boil Water Notice: Darfield**

Residents on the Darfield water supply are advised to begin boiling water.

The council's water quality monitoring programme has found levels of bacteria (E.coli) above recommended levels. The Council will begin chlorination of the water supply immediately and will continue to do so until the precautionary boil water notice is lifted.

When a boil water notice is in place, the Ministry of Health advises that people should boil to retreat all water from taps before drinking, brushing teeth or using it in food preparation. In addition, water used to make ice should also be boiled before freezing.

Water will need to continue to be boiled until the precautionary bio water notice is lifted, even if the taste or smell of chlorine is present. It is likely to be in place for several days.

The Selwyn District Council website [www.selwyn.govt.nz](http://www.selwyn.govt.nz) will provide updates.

**Ends**

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