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Boil Water Notice: Selwyn Rural Water Supply

Residents in Hororata and the surrounding rural area who are on the Selwyn Rural Water Supply are advised to immediately begin boiling water. The water supply is sourced from the Selwyn River.

A precautionary notice has been issued by Selwyn District Council after test results received today showed that e coli levels were above recommended levels.

E.coli is an organism which can cause health issues. People are advised to visit their doctors if they are showing any symptoms of sickness, including vomiting and diarrhoea.

The Council has begun chlorinating water in the area.

If people wish to disinfect private tanks, they can contact the Council for further information, 347 2800 or 318 8338 (Darfield area). An information sheet can be found on the Council website, www.selwyn.govt.nz.

The council will continue to monitor the intake and reticulation system and keep residents informed. Chlorination will stop as soon as soon as no bacteria are present.

Any updates to this notice will be posted online at www.selwyn.govt.nz.

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For more information, contact:

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