

Two boil water orders issued for Jefferson Co

**(KAIR)--Two boil water orders are in place for two rural water districts located in Jefferson County.**

**Affected are Jefferson County Rural Water Districts 11 and 14.**

**According to a release from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, the boil water orders were issued Tuesday due to confirmed bacteriological contamination.**

**They will remain in effect until rescinded by KDHE following testing at a certified laboratory.**

**Customers should observe the following precautions until further notice:**

- **If your tap water appears dirty, flush the water lines by letting the water run until it clears.**
- **Boil water for one minute prior to drinking or food preparation or use bottled water.**
- **Dispose of ice cubes and do not use ice from a household automatic icemaker.**
- **Disinfect dishes and other food contact surfaces by immersion for at least one minute in clean tap water that contains one teaspoon of unscented household bleach per gallon of water.**
- **Water used for bathing does not generally need to be boiled. Supervision of children is necessary while bathing so that water is not ingested. Persons with cuts or severe rashes may wish to consult their physicians.**

**For consumer questions, please contact the water system or KDHE at 785-296-5514. For consumer information please visit KDHE's PWS Consumer Information**

**webpage: [http://www.kdheks.gov/pws/emergencyresponse/water\\_disruption.htm](http://www.kdheks.gov/pws/emergencyresponse/water_disruption.htm)**

**Restaurants and other food establishments that have questions about the impact of the boil water Order on their business can contact the Kansas Department of Agriculture's food safety & lodging program at [kda.fsl@ks.gov](mailto:kda.fsl@ks.gov) or call 785-564-6767.**

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