



# REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY

## Media Release

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### Reminder - Water Quality Advisory Issued for the Burton Water System

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Nelson, BC: The Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) would like to remind users on the **Burton Water System** that a **WATER QUALITY ADVISORY**, issued January 12, 2017, remains in effect. This reminder is being issued due to low levels of Coliform bacteria were detected in recent samples.

While health risks are considered low, the RDCK recommends that children, the elderly, people with weakened immune systems, and anyone seeking additional protection drink boiled water or a safe alternative until further notice. For these at-risk populations, water intended for drinking, washing fruits or vegetables, making beverages or ice, or brushing teeth should be boiled for one minute. Boiled water should then be refrigerated in a clean, covered container. Customers could also choose to use bottled or distilled water.

Owners of all public facilities must post a **WATER QUALITY ADVISORY** at all sinks or drinking water fountains accessible to the public (alternatively, public fountains and taps may be turned off). As opportunities arise, they must also advise their clientele verbally of the **WATER QUALITY ADVISORY**.

The RDCK will be taking measures to reduce risk; water quality will be monitored and the public will be notified when the RDCK is able to lift the **WATER QUALITY ADVISORY**.

We apologize for any inconvenience this might cause, and appreciate your cooperation and patience during this time. **For more information contact the RDCK (250) 352-8192 or visit our website at [www.rdck.ca/water](http://www.rdck.ca/water)**

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