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PRECAUTIONARY BOIL WATER NOTICE FOR SOUTH WALTON UTILITIES SERVICE AREA WEST OF HOLIDAY ROAD TO DANNY WUERFFEL WAY IN MIRAMAR BEACH AND DESTIN, FLORIDA



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Destin, Fla – Due to a major line break in the South Walton Utility water systems, the Florida Department of Health in Okaloosa County (DOH-Okaloosa) is advising residents who are on the South Walton Utility under a boil water notice to take precautions against unclean water. Because of the compromise, any household or business serviced by South Walton Utility west of Holiday Road in the Miramar Beach and Destin areas may have water that is not safe to drink.

The South Water Utility service area under a precautionary boil water notice includes the Destin Commons, Regatta Bay, Emerald Bay, Emerald Lakes, Calusa Bay, Sandy Cay, Enclave and Emerald Shores Subdivision.

DOH-Okaloosa recommends one of the following for customers of South Walton Utility in the affected area:

- Boil water before use, holding it at a rolling boil for at least 1 minute before using it for drinking, cooking, making ice, brushing teeth, or washing dishes; or
- Disinfect water by adding 8 drops (about 1/3 teaspoon – this would form a puddle about the size of a dime) of plain unscented household bleach (4 to 6 percent active ingredients) per gallon of water and then let it stand for 30 minutes. If the water is cloudy after 30 minutes, repeat the procedure. Use a container that has a cap or cover for disinfecting and storing water to be used for drinking. This will prevent contamination; or
- Use bottled water, especially for mixing baby formula.

This precautionary boil water notice will remain in effect until the problem has been corrected and a bacteriological survey shows that the water is safe to drink.

For more information, go to South Walton Utility's website at <http://swuci.org> or call (850) 837-2988.

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