## Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable. Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.



## Cape Girardeau County PWSD #2 (System Name)

## IS UNDER A BOIL WATER ORDER

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources has issued a boil water order for:

Cape Girardeau County PWSD #2MO4024097Cape Girardeau(System Name)(PWS ID #)(County)

The order was issued on: December 22, 2021, because *E. coli* bacteria were found in a source water sample collected on: December 20, 2021.

Our water system detected fecal indicators (E. coli) in our well on: December 21, 2021

This source water sampling was triggered when a routine sample collected on October 4, 2021 tested positive for coliform *bacteria* from the distribution system.

The presence of *E. coli* bacteria indicates that the water may be contaminated with human or animal wastes. Microbes in these wastes can cause diarrhea, cramps, nausea, headaches, or other symptoms. **They may pose a special health risk for infants, young children, and people with severely compromised immune systems.** These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

The order will remain in effect until water samples indicate the contaminant is no longer present. You will be notified when the boil water order is lifted. You can reach the staff of your water system by calling:

Ashley Burns
(Contact person at water system)

573-243-1156
(Phone #)

2345 State Hwy B, Oak Ridge MO 63769
(Address)

A description of the cause of the problem and actions being taken to correct it are:

PWSD #2 is working with the Department of Natural Resources to resolve this matter. The Department of Natural Resources will be taking follow-up samples and corrective measures, if needed, will be taken once those are processed.

For additional Information, you may contact the Department's Southeast Regional Office at 573-840-9750 or Public Drinking Water Branch at 573-751-5331.

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

The standard precautions consumers need to take are given below. If this system is providing bottled water this may not apply.

Your public water system is under a boil water order. You need to take the following actions:

- 1. Boil water vigorously for three minutes prior to use. Use only boiled water for drinking, brushing teeth, diluting fruit juices, and all other food preparations or consumption. Use of bottled water may be a feasible, though relatively expensive, alternative to boiling tap water when under a boil water order.
- 2. LET WATER COOL SUFFICIENTLY BEFORE DRINKING.
- 3. Do not use ice from a household automatic icemaker or use any ice made with unboiled water from this system. Remake ice cubes with water that has been boiled or buy ice.
- 4. 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 or using backyard pools so water is not ingested. Persons with cuts or severe rashes may wish to consult their physicians.