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Boil water notice issued to Plantation Bay residents until further notice

June 15, 2020 – Residents of Plantation Bay have been issued a boil-water notice as is required by the Environmental Protection Agency as E. coli bacteria was detected in one of the wells, which has since been shut down until the problem is corrected.

“This bacteria was found during regular, routine testing by US Water Services,” said County Administrator Jerry Cameron. “We’ve had so much heavy rain lately that we believe we have experienced seeping surface contaminants into that well. Water leaving the plant and distribution system have tested negative.”

Residents have been notified that they should boil water before drinking it – or use bottled water.

Bring all water to a rolling boil, let it boil for one minute, and let it cool before using it. Boiling kills bacteria and other organisms in the water. Use boiled or bottled water for drinking, making ice, preparing food, and washing dishes until further notice.

Those who have a severely compromised immune system, have an infant, or are elderly, may be at increased risk and should seek advice about drinking water from a healthcare provider. General guidelines about ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from EPA’s Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 800-426-4791.

Updates to residents will continue about any additional requirements – if any – while the issue remains. The next sampling will occur tomorrow, June 16.

For more information, please contact US Water Services at 866-753-8292, extension 207.

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