



Plumas County Environmental Health

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DIXIE FIRE DRINKING WATER UPDATE

The Dixie Fire and prolonged power outages have affected drinking water quality in many local water systems. When returning home after an evacuation, please plan accordingly to boil or use bottled when needed. Here is a list of water systems and their current status effective the week of August 15, 2021.

Residents returning to the following areas should use boiled or bottled water:

Chester/ West Shore Lake Almanor Areas

- Almanor Community Well (from Almanor Drive West to Plumas Pines Resort)

Indian Valley Area

- Arlington Heights Mobile Home Park
- IVCS D Crescent Mills
- ValiVu Estates Mobile Home Park

Residents in the above areas should take these precautions:

- Use boiled or bottled water for drinking, brushing teeth, and food preparation until further notice.
- Boil all water used for these purposes for one (1) minute (rolling boil)
- Boiling the water kills bacteria and other organisms that may be in the water.

If you are unable to boil your water:

- Use unscented liquid bleach to disinfect the water
- For clear water, use 8 drops (1/8 tsp.) of bleach for 1 gallon of water. For cloudy water, filter through a clean cloth and use 16 drops (1/4 tsp.) of bleach for 1 gallon of water.
- Mix well. Allow to stand for 30 minutes before using.
- Water may taste or smell like chlorine. This means disinfection has occurred.

For the most up-to-date information, please contact your water service provider. You will be notified by your water service provider when the water is safe to drink.

Residents returning to the following areas do not need to take any drinking water precautions at this time:

Chester/ West Shore Lake Almanor Areas

- Almanor Heights Mutual Water Company
- Big Meadows Subdivision
- Chester
- Prattville Water Association
- West Almanor Mutual Water Company