

**\*\*\*DO NOT CONSUME THE WATER\*\*\***  
**DRINKING WATER WARNING**

**Town of HYSHAM Public Water Supply System**  
**MT0000428**

**Potential Acute Health Effects**  
**Due to Unknown Condition of the Drinking Water**

On 4/2/30/2023 the town of HYSHAM had a loss of filtration treatment. This situation may have led to the introduction of multiple contaminants in the drinking water; these contaminants may include total coliform bacteria, fecal coliform bacteria and various chemicals. Manganese has been measured in the distribution system at levels that exceed recommendations, so this DO NOT CONSUME advisory is being issued.

What does this mean:

- The use of bottled water is recommended at this time. **Do not** use the water for drinking, making ice, brushing teeth, washing dishes, making baby formula or food preparation. Bottled water should be used for all of the above necessities until further notice.
- *People with severely compromised immune systems, infants and some elderly may be at increased risk when exposed to contaminated water. 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.*
- *Fecal coliforms and E. coli are bacteria whose presence 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 risk for infants, young children and people with severely compromised immune systems. The symptoms above are not caused only by organisms in drinking water. If you experience any of these symptoms and they persist, you may want to seek medical advice. People at increased risk should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers.*

**What is being done?**

Steps are being taken to immediately restore water quality as quickly as possible. These steps include: Restoring water treatment capability, reliably and consistently. You will be notified once the advisory is downgraded.

**For more information contact:**

General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes and nitrate/nitrites are available from the EPA Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

*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.*

This notice is being sent to you by: Town of Hysham

State Water System ID#: MT0000428

Contact: XXXXXXXXXXXX

Date and Method: XXXXXXXX Hand to residents