

BOIL WATER ADVISORY FOR PORTIONS OF THE CITY OF TAWAS CITY AND ALABASTER TOWNSHIP

Date: October 16, 2025

Affected Areas: All municipal water services south of the Tawas River to include West Lake Street (us-23), North and South Bay Drive, Michigan Avenue, Margo Street, Woodward Street, Nanette Avenue, Grove Street, Elms Avenue, Crocker Blouvard, Townline Road, and Hilltop Street.

Reason for Advisory: There is currently a water main break that Tawas City employees are working to repair. When water is restored, users are advised to boil their water due to the potential for bacterial contamination of the water supply.

Instructions for Residents:

- **BOIL YOUR WATER:** For all water used for drinking, cooking, brushing teeth, and making ice, bring it to a rolling boil for at least one full minute.
- **COOL BEFORE USE:** Allow the water to cool before use. Make batches of boiled water in advance for convenience.
- **DO NOT CONSUME ICE:** Any ice made within the last 24 hours should not be consumed or used for drinking.
- **USE FOR WASHING:** The water can still be used for bathing and washing hands or dishes as usual. However, for washing dishes, ensure they are sanitized with boiled water, or the water is boiled before use.
- **SOFT FOODS:** Any softened foods made with tap water (like baby formula, raw vegetables, noodles, etc.) should be prepared with boiled and cooled water.
- **ANIMALS OR PETS:** You can boil the tap water you give to the animals in your care. Your veterinarian can tell you if this precaution is necessary.

Next Steps:

- The DPW staff is working to resolve the issue and restore normal service.
- For more information, please contact Tawas City Hall at (989) 362-8688.
- If you become sick, see your family physician or healthcare provider. Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants.

You will be notified when tests show that tap water is safe to drink. You may be asked to run water to flush the pipes in your home before using your tap water or be given other

special instructions. Until you are notified, continue to boil all tap water for one minute before use.

UPDATES WILL BE AIRED ON WKJC ON FM 104.7 AND CHANNEL 11, AND POSTED ON TAWAS CITY'S FACEBOOK PAGE.

Water Main Break and Boil Water Advisory – City of Tawas City & Alabaster Twp areas south of Tawas River connected to municipal water. Boil water 1 min before drinking, cooking, or brushing teeth. Use cooled boiled water. Avoid using recent ice. Water OK for washing. Advisory is for 48 hours.

Tawas City Boil Water Alert – All city water S of Tawas River. Advisory is for 48 hrs.