## DRINKING WATER WARNING

Town of Rangely (PWSID CO0152666)

## **BOIL YOUR WATER BEFORE USING**

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On May 4, 2020 a main water line was breached causing our drinking water system to experience pressure loss, and contamination may have entered the system. Since the loss of pressure in the distribution system may allow disease-causing organisms to enter the water system, as a precaution, we are asking all users to not drink the water.

### What does this mean? What should I do?

- DO NOT DRINK THE WATER WITHOUT BOILING IT FIRST. Bring all water to a boil, let it boil for one (1) minute, and let it cool before using, or use bottled water. DO NOT BOIL for an extensive period of time. MORE IS NOT BETTER. Boiled or bottled water should be used for drinking, making ice, brushing teeth, washing dishes, and food preparation until further notice. Boiling kills bacteria and other organisms in the water.
- While no contamination has been detected, the loss of pressure and use of untreated water in the distribution system may have allowed disease-causing organisms to enter the water system. These organisms include bacteria, viruses, and parasites, which can cause symptoms such as nausea, cramps, diarrhea, and associated headaches. 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 with severely compromised immune systems, infants, and some elderly may be at increased risk. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers.

### What happened? What is being done?

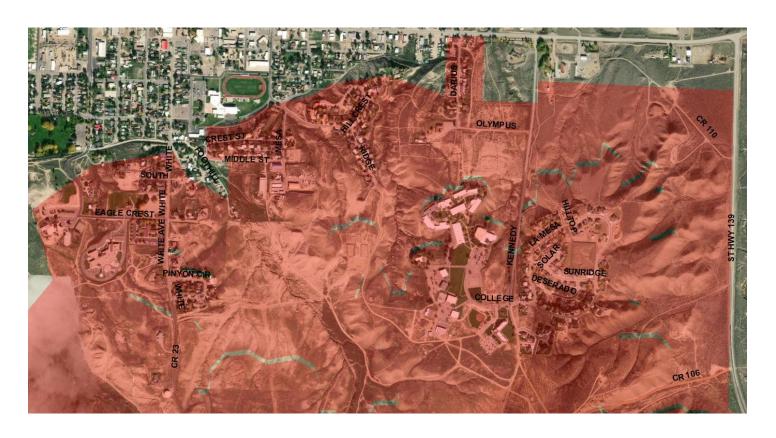
Due to the line breach, the main line was depressurized and it must be sanitized. A boil order is in place for the areas highlighted on the map below, and must be followed until further notice. We anticipate getting the lines pressured up by 1:00 p.m. today, May 5, 2020, but the boil order will still be in effect. For more information, please contact Michael Dillon at (970) 675-8476 or Town of Rangely, 209 East Main Street, Rangely, Co. 81648. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from the EPA Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791.

Attached is a map of the areas affected (highlighted in red). Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly. You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

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# **Affected Area in Town**



**Affected Area East of Town** 

