

NOTICE OF RECENT DRINKING WATER QUALITY EVENT



Sandy City Water System discovered extremely high acute Fluoride levels

WHERE: Small area from 11026 to 11126 South and 1850 East to 1950 East
WHEN: FEBRUARY 5TH THROUGH 7TH

Sandy City Water System routinely adds fluoride to the drinking water as required by County Health code. On the afternoon of Tuesday February 5th through 2pm Thursday February 7th, a fluoride chemical feed system malfunctioned, and an excessive amount of chemical was added to the drinking water at one location. The affected area is limited and may include your household. Immediately upon discovery of the equipment malfunction, Sandy City closed valves to isolate the area, flushed the drinking water lines and notified customers in the area.

While the malfunction has been corrected and fluoride levels at the affected areas are again within the range required by Salt Lake County Health Regulation, it is important that potentially affected residences flush their home's water system to ensure the over-fluoridated corrosive water is removed. For assistance with flushing your specific home, contact Sandy City Public Utilities at 801-509-1062, or 801-301-8018.

What should I do?

- If you have not already, for homes in the impacted area, we recommend that homeowners flush their system by running all Hot taps 30 minutes and Cold taps 30 minutes to purge all service lines and any appliances with water storage, including ice trays in refrigerators, and water used for pets.
- The Fluoride chemical used was mixed with drinking water creating an ACUTE (short term) high level exposure to Fluoride and a decrease in pH levels due to the highly corrosive properties.
- High doses of fluoride can cause abdominal pain, nausea, vomiting, excessive saliva, and muscle spasms. Of the homes potentially affected, 5 people reported one or more symptoms consistent with a high dose of fluoride.
- If you or someone in your household is experiencing symptoms, see your health care provider or contact Utah Poison Control at 1-800-222-1222.

What is being done?

Sandy City operators have collected water quality samples in the distribution system and have corrected the equipment malfunction to ensure this will not happen again. Sandy City is confident the excessive Fluoride levels have returned to normal and will continue to monitor our drinking water for any impacts. More information about the quality of your drinking water can be found at our website <https://sandy.utah.gov/departments/public-utilities> on our Water Quality Report.

For more information, please contact: Mike Campbell 801-509-1056 (cell)

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.