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### BOIL WATER ORDER ISSUED ON: OCTOBER 26, 2021

Loss of pressure in Youngsville Water District

#### BOIL YOUR WATER BEFORE USING

**EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, CONSUMERS SERVED BY THE YOUNGSVILLE WATER DISTRICT IN THE TOWNSHIP OF CALLICOON, ARE HEREBY ORDERED BY THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, MONTICELLO DISTRICT OFFICE, TO BOIL ALL WATER FOR DRINKING AND CULINARY PURPOSES.**

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District Director

On Tuesday, October 26, 2021, the Youngsville Water District lost water service due to at least one watermain break under one of the stream crossings in the distribution system. The water service interruption is expected to last at least into the afternoon hours of Wednesday, October 27, 2021 when water service is expected to resume for many customers. When distribution pipes and mains lose pressure, it increases the chance that untreated water and harmful microbes could enter the system.

**DO NOT DRINK THE WATER WITHOUT BOILING IT FIRST.** Bring all water to a boil, let it boil for one minute, and let it cool before using, or use bottled water certified for sale by the New York State Department of Health. Boiled or bottled water should be used for drinking, making ice, brushing teeth, washing dishes, and food preparation **until further notice**. Boiling kills most bacteria and other organisms in the water.

Harmful microbes in drinking water can cause diarrhea, cramps, nausea, headaches, or other symptoms. They may pose a special health risk for infants, some elderly, and people with severely compromised immune systems. The symptoms above are not just caused by organisms in drinking water. If you experience any of these symptoms and they persist, you may want to seek medical advice.

#### What is being done?

The extent of damages is not yet fully understood, and the water service interruption may affect some consumers for a longer time than others. The Town of Callicoon is arranging for a bulk water tanker to be placed in vicinity of the Youngsville Firehouse for community access to potable water. **You will be informed when tests confirm that no harmful bacteria are in the water system and you no longer need to boil your water or use certified bottled water.**

For more information, please the Town of Callicoon at (845) 482-5390 or the New York State Department of Health, Monticello District office at 845-794-2045.

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.