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# *WATER QUALITY ADVISORY for MANGANESE*

April 18, 2023

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The Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen (RDOS) in consultation with the Interior Health Authority is rescinding the **Water Quality Advisory** for **manganese** which has been in effect since January for the **Lower Zone** of the Okanagan Falls water system.

Well #2, which has elevated iron and manganese, has not been in operation since the completion of the preventative maintenance work on Well #5. Preliminary findings, while not guaranteed, indicate that Well #5 can likely meet the demands of the Lower Zone for the majority of the year, however, further flow testing of Well #5 will be conducted in the coming months. With Well #5 now the sole supply to the Lower Zone along with the extensive flushing of the watermains that has occurred over the past number of weeks the RDOS anticipates a significant improvement in water quality moving forward for residents of the Lower Zone.

RDOS would recommend that residents considering flushing their hot water tanks to further improve water quality within their homes by removing sediments that have likely accumulated over the past number of years. It is recommended that you contact a plumbing contractor to perform this work if you are not familiar with the required procedures.

For further information, please contact the Utilities Department at (250) 490-4106 or (250) 490-4135. Thank you for your cooperation.

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Utilities Department