

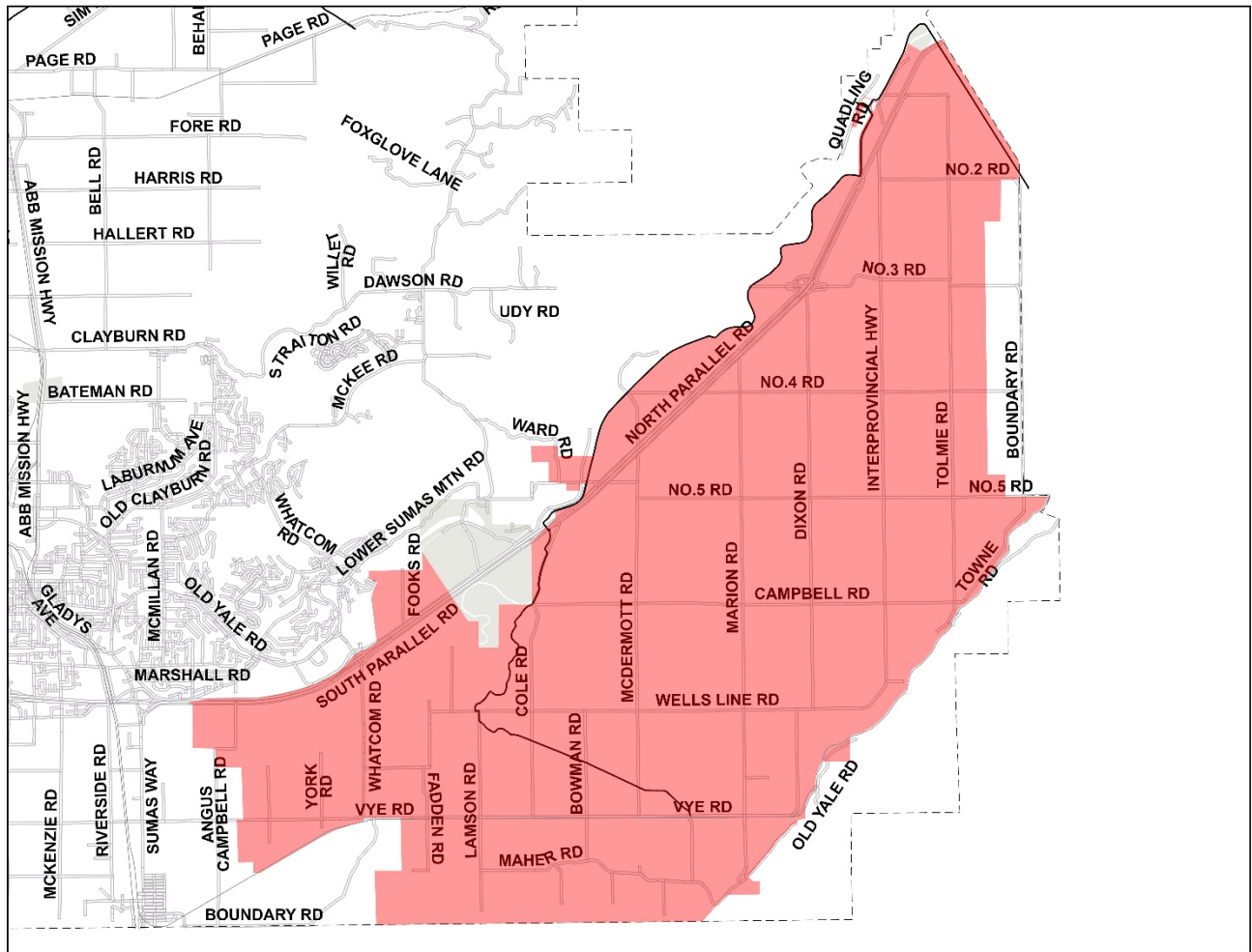
**REMOVAL OF DO NOT USE (FLUSH ONLY) ADVISORY**  
**WITH REINSTATEMENT OF BOIL WATER ADVISORY**  
**SUMAS PRAIRIE WATER SYSTEM**

Issued December 9, 2021

**WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM COVERED BY THIS ADVISORY**

This notice applies to the **Existing Advisory Area of Sumas Prairie Water Distribution System** supporting the following area:

Angus Campbell Rd to the west, Hwy 1 to the north, Chilliwack/Abbotsford border to the east, Canada/US Border, Old Yale Rd to the south



**REASON FOR THIS NOTICE: Removal of Do Not Use (Flush Only) Advisory, Reinstatement of Boil Water Advisory**

Water quality sampling results indicate that the water system in the Sumas Prairie may be used again under a **BOIL WATER ADVISORY**. Further treatment, flushing and water quality sampling is required before this Advisory can be removed and will remain in effect until further notice.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

What should I do?

- DO NOT Drink the water without **boiling** first or otherwise treating the water.
- ONLY USE Boiled or bottled water for
  - **DRINKING**
  - **COOKING**
  - **MAKING ICE**
  - **BRUSHING TEETH**
  - **WASHING READY TO EAT FOODS**
  - **WASHING DISHES**
  - **MAKING INFANT FORMULA.**
- Avoid bathing young children in a bathtub. Use a handheld shower where possible.
- Boil water for 1 minute (rolling boil). Preferably use a kettle so as to reduce the risk of burns. Let it COOL before using.
- You can choose to use bottled water.
- Store treated water in sanitary containers & keep refrigerated.

What Other Methods Can I Use to Treat My Water?

- CHLORINE: Household bleach (5%): Add 2 drops per liter & let stand for 30 minutes\* If water is cloudy add 4 drops per liter.
- IODINE/CHLORINE TABLETS: see manufacturers' directions.
- Note: Most household type water filters will NOT remove microbial contaminants.

## **OBLIGATION OF OWNERS OF PUBLIC PREMISES**

Owners of public premises served by this water system must:

- a. Notify the public that the water is not potable water by posting a sign at every sink or drinking water fountain accessible to the public;
- b. If normal business practices provide an opportunity, verbally advise any person who may use the domestic water system for a domestic purpose that the water is not potable water.

## **DURATION OF THIS ADVISORY**

This notice remains in effect unless and until another public notice is issued advising that the notice has been amended or may be rescinded. The City of Abbotsford will issue notification when water quality has been confirmed and when you can once again drink the tap water. Please look at [www.abbotsford.ca](http://www.abbotsford.ca) for updates.

## **QUESTIONS**

If you have any questions concerning the Notice, please contact: City of Abbotsford Operations Yard at 604-853-5485 or Emergency Operations Centre at 604-864-5688.

If you have any questions concerning the Public Health Impacts of this notice, please contact: Fraser Health Authority by email at [HPAbbotsford@fraserhealth.ca](mailto:HPAbbotsford@fraserhealth.ca)