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## PRECAUTIONARY ADVICE Boil Water Notice

E. coli Bacteria Contamination

The Enngonia Village Water Supply is a NON-POTABLE Supply and not approved for human consumption.

Whilst it is a NON-POTABLE supply regular monitoring for *E. coli* bacteria in the Enngonia Water Supply System is conducted by Bourke Shire Council staff. The bacteria itself is generally not harmful but the presence of these bacteria indicates that the water may be contaminated with organisms that may cause disease.

Recent monitoring has shown *E. coli* bacteria to be present in the Enngonia water supply system. As a precaution you are advised that water needed for human consumption should be brought to a rolling boil. Water should then be allowed to cool and stored in a clean container with a lid and refrigerated.

Cooled boiled or bottled water should be used for:

- Drinking, cooking, washing raw foods (such as seafood or salads), making ice, pet's drinking water, and cleaning teeth.
- Dishes should be washed in hot soapy water or in a dishwasher.
- Children should take bottled or cooled boiled water to school.

<u>Bourke Shire Council</u> is working to alleviate the problem and the water will again be tested following those works.

## These Precautions should be undertaken until further notice.

For any further information please do not hesitate to contact Council's Manager of Works, Mr. Peter Brown on 0488 290 662.

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