

Boil water advisory remains for Lancaster, Doniphan Co RWD #3, all others lifted **(KAIR)--The Kansas Department of Health and Environment Saturday afternoon said the majority of Atchison County water customers are no longer under a boil water advisory, but the City of Lancaster and Doniphan County Rural Water District 3 are still affected.**

Removed Saturday from the boil water advisory were Atchison County Rural Water Districts 1, 3, 5, and 6. The City of Atchison was cleared Friday, as was Doniphan County Rural Water District 5.

The advisory was issued Tuesday because of high turbidity in the Atchison water as a result of flooding in the area, which may result in a loss of chlorine residuals and bacterial contamination.

KDHE, in a release, said "laboratory testing samples collected from these Atchison County Rural Water Districts indicate no evidence of contamination and all other conditions that placed the system at risk of contamination are deemed by KDHE officials to be resolved." The release noted that the advisory "will remain in effect for individual purchasing systems until final testing of water indicates it is free of contamination. KDHE will provide an update for each individual purchasing system when the boil water advisory for that system has been rescinded."

A boil water advisory is a precautionary measure only, separate from a boil order.

All area residents remaining under the boil water advisory are told to continue to boil water for 1 minute if it will be used for drinking or eating.

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