City of San Diego Lifts Boil Water Notice for Tierrasanta Neighborhood

NO WATER QUALITY ISSUES FOUND; WATER TRANSMISSION PIPELINE EXPECTED TO BE BACK IN SERVICE EARLY THIS WEEK

SAN DIEGO – The City of San Diego has lifted a boil water notice for about 600 residential customers in a portion of Tierrasanta who were impacted by fluctuating water pressure issues. Multiple tests have showed no quality issues with water coming from the tap. The California Division of Drinking Water reviewed the findings and approved the lifting of the notice.

The boil water notice was issued Aug. 8 as a precaution due to low water pressure in one part of Tierrasanta. The 42-inch diameter Elliott water transmission line broke on Aug. 6 near University City. With a major water pipeline out of service and high summertime water use, there was fluctuating water pressure in several communities in the central part of the City. In response, the City provided bottled water and access to water wagons to customers under the boil water notice during the past week.

“We appreciate everyone’s patience as our crews have been working around the clock to adjust water pressure in the area and repair a major water pipeline,” said Lisa Celaya, Executive Assistant Director of the City's Public Utilities Department. “While the situation has been challenging for everyone involved, we’re very pleased that water quality was not compromised.”

It is anticipated that the Elliott pipeline will be fully back in service early this week.

The pipeline break and water service disruptions are reminders of the critical importance of the City's infrastructure maintenance and improvement programs. The City is currently in the planning stages for a new water pipeline. Once that pipeline is completed, the Elliott pipeline will be replaced. However, these projects are still several years away from completion. To learn more about the City's Capital Improvements Program, visit sandiego.gov/cip.

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