

PLACER COUNTY WATER AGENCY PRESS RELEASE

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Public Health Alert on Alta Water System

Water users in Alta and portions of Dutch Flat should boil any water used for drinking, cooking and oral hygiene until further notice, under a public health alert issued Friday (June 7) by the Placer County Water Agency.

Don Reighley, the agency's director of technical services, said the alert affects about 300 customers in Alta and portions of Dutch Flat who are served by the Alta Water Treatment Plant.

Customers of the Dutch Flat Community Water District were not affected by the incident.

A malfunction at the Alta Water Treatment Plant early Friday caused turbidity levels in water supplies to exceed standards. This water flowed into the distribution system for a short time, Reighley said.

Corrective action is being undertaken and water customers are advised to boil water until further notice.

Alta and Dutch Flat are small communities located off Interstate 80 northeast of Colfax. The turbid waters were confined to the immediate Alta-Dutch Flat system.

For information about the incident, customers may contact the PCWA Customer Service Center at (530) 823-4850.

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