

Village of Granville Water Department Depressurization Policy

Occasionally, the Village of Granville's Water Distribution System becomes vulnerable to contamination due to depressurization events. These events may be caused by physical disruptions such as; water line breaks, valve repairs, new construction, etc. or by operational disruptions such as; pump failures, power outages, telemetry failures, extreme fire flows, etc. This policy is intended to provide procedures to confirm that the water supply is safe for use after pressure is restored to normal operating conditions.

The depressurization policy of the Village of Granville Water Department is as follows:

In all cases, the depressurization policy of the Village of Granville will be the same as the depressurization policy of the Ohio EPA. Although this policy does not have the force of law, the Ohio EPA policy will be followed as closely as possible in the event of a water depressurization situation. (A copy of the OEPA Depressurization Policies is attached.)

If the water main is not breached, and pressure does not drop below 20 psi at ground level, no boil advisory will be issued. (This does not indicate that 20 psi will remain at structure fixtures). Bacteria samples may still be collected from the water distribution system in the affected area if the operator in charge of repairs deems it necessary.

If the water main is breached and pressure drops below 20 psi, repairs will be chlorinated in accordance with AWWA/OEPA guidelines. A boil advisory will be issued and bacteria samples collected for the affected area. The boil advisory will remain in effect until two consecutive total coliform samples are found to be total coliform negative. The Village's reverse 911+system can be used to advise residents of a boil advisory issuance or cancellation. Door to door postings may also be used to alert residents of boil advisories.

For questions concerning this policy, contact Water Superintendent Larry Fruth at 740-587-0165 or Utilities Director Joe Taylor at 740-587-2304.

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