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# Passaic Valley Water Commission Expands Precautionary Boil Water Advisory as Repairs Continue on Critical Transmission Main

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

(Clifton, N.J. – June 3, 2026) – Passaic Valley Water Commission (PVWC) has expanded the precautionary boil water advisory previously issued for portions of Clifton and Passaic as crews continue emergency repairs on a large transmission main located on Chittenden Road in Clifton.

To facilitate the next phase of repairs, PVWC will temporarily shut down the 51-inch transmission main beginning at approximately **10:00 p.m. tonight**. The shutdown is expected to remain in effect until approximately **5:00 a.m. Thursday morning**, although the duration may vary depending on field conditions.

As a result of the planned shutdown and anticipated pressure fluctuations throughout the distribution system, the precautionary boil water advisory area has been expanded. Approximately **25,000 to 30,000 customers** in Clifton and Passaic are now under the advisory.

The advisory is being issued as a precaution due to the potential for pressure losses within the water distribution system. While there is currently **no evidence of contamination**, reductions in water pressure can increase the risk of contaminants entering water mains. In accordance with New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) requirements, customers in the affected area are advised to boil water until testing confirms water quality meets all applicable standards.

### Immediate Actions Required

Customers within the affected area should bring all water used for the following purposes to a rolling boil for at least one minute and allow it to cool before use:

- Drinking
- Cooking and food preparation
- Making ice



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- Brushing teeth
- Washing dishes
- Preparing infant formula
- Washing fruits and vegetables

Customers may also use bottled water for these purposes until the advisory is lifted.

### **What Customers Can Expect**

During the overnight shutdown, some customers may experience:

- Lower-than-normal water pressure
- Temporary fluctuations in water pressure
- Possible temporary service interruptions

PVWC has taken steps to minimize impacts wherever possible, but customers should be prepared for changing system conditions while repairs are underway.

### **Ongoing Repair Efforts**

PVWC crews have been working around the clock to repair the damaged infrastructure and restore normal operations. Following completion of the repairs and restoration of system pressure, comprehensive water quality sampling will be conducted throughout the affected area.

The precautionary boil water advisory will remain in effect until:

- Necessary repairs have been completed;
- Water system pressure has been fully restored and stabilized; and
- Laboratory testing confirms the water is safe for consumption.

Customers will be notified immediately when the advisory is lifted.

### **Stay Informed**

- Sign up for emergency notifications and updates at [PVWC.com](https://www.pvwc.com)
- Follow PVWC on Facebook, Instagram, X, and LinkedIn for real-time updates
- Customer Service: 973-340-4300 (Option 2)
- Email: [customerservice@pvwc.com](mailto:customerservice@pvwc.com)



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PVWC understands the inconvenience this situation may cause and appreciates the patience and cooperation of its customers as crews continue this critical repair work. Protecting public health and restoring reliable service remain PVWC's highest priorities.

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