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NOTICE ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

TO: RESIDENTS OF CEDAR KEY, FL

Due to the storm surge caused by Hurricane Helene, the Cedar Key drinking water wells have experienced saltwater intrusion. While this will be temporary as the aquifer recharges, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection has made the following recommendations, urging residents to:

- Refrain from using water for non-imperative purposes (i.e., irrigation, filling pools, etc.);
- Use bottled water or alternative potable water sources for drinking and cooking. Bottled water is available for distribution at Cedar Key City Hall, 809 6th Street and First Baptist Church, 717 2nd Street in Cedar Key.
- Be advised, boiling water that has been affected by saltwater intrusion will cause an increase in the levels of dissolved minerals and salts in the water.

Daily conductivity testing is being completed to monitor the amount of dissolved minerals and salts in the water. Once it has decreased to acceptable levels, further notice will be provided.

DO NOT CONSUME UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE HAS BEEN PROVIDED.

If you have any questions, you may contact John Rittenhouse of Cedar Key Water and Sewer District at 352-543-5285.



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