At about 8:55 A.M. today, December 6, 2025, The Clinton Water Utility experienced a major water main break which caused the water system to lose water pressure. As a result of the water pressure loss, we are issuing a boil water notice to all Clinton water customers until further notice as a precaution. This notice will be in effect until we are able to submit water samples to ensure the water is acceptable to drink. Talk to your doctor if you or a family member has symptoms that you think may be from your drinking water. Below are instructions on how to boil water and what to use them for. For more information visit the Clinton website at <a href="https://www.clintonwi.us/">https://www.clintonwi.us/</a> or call Roger Johnson at 608-751-1772. Please forward this information to anyone you may know that receives water from the Clinton Water System.

## **Boiling Instructions (for bacteria/contamination):**

- 1. **Fill a pot** with cold water.
- 2. **Bring to a rolling boil** (watch for quick, steady bubbles from the bottom).
- 3. **Boil for a full minute**, even at high altitudes (some recommend 3 mins).
- 4. **Let it cool** before use.
- 5. **Store** in a clean, covered container.

## What to Use Boiled/Bottled Water For:

- Drinking, making drinks, preparing food.
- Brushing teeth.
- Making ice.
- Washing fruits & vegetables.

## **Important Considerations:**

- **Filter first if cloudy:** Let sediment settle or filter through a coffee filter, then boil the clear water.
- Do NOT boil for lead: Boiling concentrates lead; use cold water for cooking/formula or an approved filter instead.
- **Follow your notice:** Advisories can differ; some "Do Not Use" notices mean no contact, even showering.
- Check for "Do Not Drink" vs. "Boil Water": A "Do Not Drink" notice is stricter and usually means no ingestion, but contact might be okay.