



**EAST-CENTRAL DISTRICT
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UPDATE: PLATTE CENTER WATER CONTAMINATION

[Platte Center, NE] – Last Friday, water samples taken from the Village of Platte Center water tower came back negative for E. Coli. There are no additional water quality concerns, and residents can go back to using their tap water as normal. All residents on Village water should also have received a flyer indicating that the water is now safe to drink and use for cooking.

Now that the Boil Water Advisory has been lifted, there are a few actions that residents can take to protect their family from any continued effects from E. Coli. Residents should:

- Empty and clean your coffee pot or Keurig machine if it was filled before the Boil Water Advisory was lifted.
- Throw away all ice that was made with contaminated water, including from the ice maker in your refrigerator.
- Clean and disinfect all sinks.
- Run both hot and cold water faucets for at least 5 minutes.
- Wash and sanitize any dirty dishes.

Restaurants, Gas stations, and any place serving food or drinks prepared with village water should consider contacting a health inspector for a follow-up inspection. Platte County's health inspector is Jennifer Loeffler, and she can be reached at (402) 450-5984.

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