



Parks Canada Agency
Prince Albert National Park
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March 20, 2017

Dear Resident:

Re: Water Main Break in Waskesiu
 Prince Albert National Park

On March 17, 2017 the water distribution system in Waskesiu lost pressure. It is believed there is a break somewhere in the underground water line causing this problem. The water distribution system is shut down until further notice.

Parks Canada staff are working extended hours to locate the water line break, however this may take several days.

Steaming frozen water valves is currently underway so that different sections of the distribution system can be isolated and tested for leaks. A contractor will be on site Wednesday, March 22 to perform "acoustic testing" of the water lines which will help determine the section of waterline that is leaking.

A contractor is on stand-by to repair the water line break as soon as it is located.

Household water taps are not functional and toilet tanks need to be refilled manually. Residents and visitors should not consume any water from household taps.

A potable water tank is located at the park operations centre in the wash bay. This water is available 24 hours per day. In addition 5 gallon jugs of filtered water from a supplier in Prince Albert are available at the wash bay. Residents are asked to use this water for drinking and cooking only, and to return empty containers to the wash bay. To assist us in managing supply, please take only one jug per household at a time.

To aid in the process of locating the water break, if residents or visitors notice water pooling on the ground in an unusual location, please contact Kurt Smith at (306) 960-9385 or Christine Hamilton at (306) 960-0723.

Commercial operators requiring larger volumes of water should contact Kurt Smith at (306) 960-9385 to make arrangements for filling of tanks.

Thank you for your patience. We will continue to provide updates as the situation evolves.