



# News Release

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## **Boil-water advisory issued for Key Peninsula community in Pierce County**

**OLYMPIA** — The Lake of the Woods Community Club in the town of Wauna, located in northwestern Pierce County, is urging its members to boil their drinking water because potentially harmful E. coli bacteria were detected in the system's water.

The bacteria were detected Friday, Oct. 17 in a water sample collected for routine monthly water quality monitoring. The residential community's water system serves 324 homes with a population of around 870 people.

The State Department of Health is working closely with the water system operator to try to find the source of contamination and eliminate it.

The agency advises residents to boil any tap water they will use for drinking, preparing food, washing dishes, brushing teeth or making ice. To kill germs, heat the water to a brisk boil for one minute, and allow the water to cool before drinking.

Residents who have questions about their water quality can call 253-884-2088 or 253-884-4703.

The [Department of Health website](http://www.doh.wa.gov) (www.doh.wa.gov) is your source for *a healthy dose of information*. Also, [find us on Facebook](#) and [follow us on Twitter](#).

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