

## Canandaigua-Farmington Water &amp; Sewer Districts

**TOWN OF FARMINGTON**

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**NOTIFICATION  
TOTAL COLIFORM BACTERIA**

TO: The Customers/Residents of the Canandaigua-Farmington Water District

DATE: September 12, 2011

FROM: James E. Crane, Water Superintendent

Required water quality tests conducted on **August 16, 2011** and **August 23, 2011** indicated the presence of total coliform bacteria in our water supply. This constitutes a Maximum Contaminant Level violation of Section 5-1.52 Table 6 of the New York State Sanitary Code, which requires us to provide a notice to you. Please share this information with all other people who drink this water, especially those who may not receive this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, school and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

The New York State Department of Health sets drinking water standards and has determined that the presence of total coliforms is a possible health concern. Total coliforms are common in the environment and are generally not harmful themselves. The presence of these bacteria in drinking water, however, generally is a result of a problem with the water treatment or the pipes which distribute the water, and indicates that the water may be contaminated with organisms that can cause disease. Disease symptoms may include diarrhea, cramps, nausea and possibly jaundice and associated headaches and fatigue. These symptoms, however, are not just associated with disease-causing organisms in drinking water, but also may be caused by a number of factors other than your drinking water. The New York State Department of Health has set an enforceable drinking water standard for total coliform to reduce the risk of these adverse health effects. Drinking water which meets this standard is usually not associated with a health risk from disease-causing bacteria and should be considered safe. At least two (2) water samples have proven to contain coliform from your water system this month.

The following area(s) have been affected:

- On August 16, 2011 along County Road 8 between Collett Road and the New York State Thruway.
- On August 23, 2011 in the New York State Route 96 and New York State Route 332 in the business area.

The following steps are being taken to correct this violation:

- Resampled the water in the affected areas and all rechecked samples were okay and below limits.

At this time no additional precautions by customers/residents are necessary. If you have any questions, please contact the Water and Sewer Department at (585) 924-3158.