



# City and Borough of Sitka

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*Coast Guard City, USA*

## **Public Service Announcement:**

October 26 at 5:30 p.m. – The City and Borough of Sitka asks community members to conserve water to reduce possible water pressure decrease.

The City and Borough of Sitka Water Division has been utilizing storage tank water exclusively since approximately 4:00 p.m. today due to high levels of turbidity in Blue Lake. Blue Lake water will be enabled to enter the system, restoring water pressure and refilling storage tanks once the turbidity levels drop to required levels or when our storage tanks begin to run low. It is very important to conserve water use to reduce the drain on water storage while we wait for the turbidity to drop in Blue Lake.

As Blue Lake water continues to have high turbidity levels it will be monitored and tested to ensure fecal coliform bacteria are within acceptable levels to avoid the need for a city wide boiled water notice. Water pressure will return to normal once Blue Lake water is brought back online. Updates will continue to be provided as this event progresses.