

# **NEWS** *from Middletown, Pa.*

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## **Boil Water Advisory lifted**

The boil water advisory that was in effect following a Thursday water main break in Middletown has been lifted.

Lab tests this morning confirmed the absence of any contaminants in the water flowing through the repaired main for the second straight day. DEP regulations require the water to test clear of any bacteria for two consecutive days before the boil water advisory can be lifted.

The boil water advisory was put into effect after construction crews working on Middletown's downtown infrastructure project struck a four inch main in the intersection of Union and Emaus streets, rupturing the pipe.

That pipe, which runs parallel to a larger, 10-inch main on Emaus Street, was not shown on the Borough's maps of its water system.

The following areas were in the advisory area: Union Street from Spring Street to Brown Street, the south side of Emaus Street from Union Street to Peony Avenue, and Peony Avenue from Emaus Street to Mill Street. All water customers in the areas covered by the boil water advisory will also receive a hand delivered notice that the advisory is lifted.

This is not the first unmarked pipe which has been discovered during the project. Previously crews discovered a storm sewer pipe which was improperly connected to the Borough's sanitary sewer system. An unmarked sanitary sewer pipe was also discovered near the intersection of Brown and South Union Streets which was not shown on Borough maps of the system.

The \$1.6 million infrastructure project involves replacing the 100-plus years old sanitary sewer main under South Union Street and installing new water mains. The project this week moved into its final phase, the section of Union Street between Emaus and Spring streets.