



## PORTLAND BUREAU OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

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### PublicAlerts.org Drinking Water Advisory Look-Up Tool

#### A Memorandum of Understanding between the Portland Bureau of Emergency Management and Regional Water Providers Consortium

WHEREAS, the Portland Bureau of Emergency Management administers the website <http://www.publicalerts.org> on behalf of the city of Portland and Clackamas, Clark, Columbia, Multnomah and Washington counties; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Regional Water Providers Consortium have an interest in raising public awareness when a drinking water advisory (DWA) is issued; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Regional Water Providers Consortium use multiple methods of communicating a DWA to the public and do not rely on any one communications tool; and

WHEREAS, <http://www.publicalerts.org> can be used as a web-based tool to provide the public with a quick and easy way to determine if they are impacted by an active DWA event; and

WHEREAS, the Portland Bureau of Emergency Management agrees to the use of <http://www.publicalerts.org> by the Regional Water Providers Consortium to provide the public with information about DWAs; and

WHEREAS, the Portland Bureau of Emergency Management will bill the Regional Water Providers Consortium \$100 per month for the use of <http://www.publicalerts.org> starting July 1, 2014 for as long as <http://www.publicalerts.org> is utilized by the Regional Water Providers Consortium;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Portland Bureau of Emergency Management and the Regional Water Providers Consortium enter into this Memorandum of Understanding.

 4/24/2014  
Signature Date

Dan Douthit, Public Information Officer  
Portland Bureau of Emergency Management

 4/24/14  
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