

July 12, 2025

1:00 p.m.

UPDATE

IEPA sampled the water on the morning of Friday, July 11th. Results from that testing obtained today were found to have an algal bloom neurological toxin at .314 parts per billion level, down from .35 parts per billion from our previous testing. The advisory level for a DO NOT DRINK order is .3 parts per billion.

While the levels have significantly decreased because of the treatment activities, the toxin levels are still over the recommended limit and the DO NOT DRINK order will continue.

At this time, the City has taken more samples and are transferring them to the IEPA Springfield laboratory for additional testing. Results are anticipated tomorrow afternoon. The City has been and will continue its aggressive water treatment based upon the IEPA recommendations. Please continue to follow all guidelines provided by the Coles County Health Department as outlined in the DO NOT DRINK order and the FAQs.

The City will continue to provide water to residents until 8:00 p.m. tonight at Lytle Park and Williams Elementary School. Water will be distributed tomorrow at both locations from 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. As of right now, we have twenty-four packs of water and 1-gallon jugs. Residents may bring their own bucket or container for refill AT LYTLE PARK ONLY, 5 Gallon Maximum, and all containers must have a lid.

Residents with mobility or transportation limitations may make a request for water delivery through the [Water Request Form](#).

Thank you for your patience and understanding during this time.