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Water construction project could mean short-term change in water taste, smell

Starting this week, residents may notice a slight change in the taste and smell of water coming out of their taps. As part of its major water supply project, the City will be making temporary adjustments to its water treatment approach to accommodate the construction of the water system upgrades. These adjustments may result in minor changes to the taste and odour of the community water until early-June.

“Campbell River water will still remain well within Canadian drinking water quality guidelines,” says Jennifer Peters, the City’s utilities manager. “People may notice slight changes to the taste and odour of our drinking water until early June. City staff are working closely with provincial officials from Island Health to ensure that water quality is maintained to the high standards that Campbell River expects.”

The water supply project will provide the City with a water intake directly into John Hart Lake and will replace the existing connection to BC Hydro’s penstocks which are being removed as part of the John Hart Generating Station Replacement Project. To find out more about the City’s project, go to www.campbellriver.ca and check out Capital Improvement Projects under City Services.

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