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### **Boil water notices lifted**

The Southland District Council has lifted the boil water notices for consumers on the Eastern Bush-Otahu Flat and Lumsden-Balfour rural water supplies.

Southland District Council water and waste services technical officer Sarah Dowling said both water supplies have been tested over the last few days and sample results had satisfied the required criteria.

“That means there is now an acceptable level of chlorine present in both supplies and that means the water is fine for drinking,” Ms Dowling said.

A quantity of flood water had entered the Lumsden-Balfour Rural Water Scheme system when the Oreti River rose rapidly after heavy rain on March 1, while Council had to carry out some emergency work at the water intake on the Eastern Bush-Otahu Flat supply on Thursday and this had caused the chlorine level in the water to drop temporarily.

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