

SALMONELLA OUTBREAK LINK

June 13, 2015

UPDATE (6/16):

Dear Boise Co-op Community:

The safety of our customers and staff is extremely important to us, so it pains us to share information concerning recalled product from our store that could impact your health.

What our customers need to know:

- Central District Health Department (CDHD) informed us on June 15th that their lab results confirmed the presence of Salmonella in several foods from our Deli. According to the **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**, the foodborne illness Salmonella causes diarrhea, fever, and abdominal cramps 12 to 72 hours after infection.
- Upon receiving this new information, we voluntarily closed our Deli and disposed of all foods prepared herein. As an added precaution, ***any foods purchased from our Deli after June 1, 2015 should be discarded.*** Please see Customer Service for a refund.
- Foods that were found to be contaminated include tomatoes, onions, and raw turkey. These were foods coming out of the Deli, not our Produce department.
- According to CDHD, the salmonella contamination of the raw produce is a result of possible cross-contamination in our Deli department.

What we're doing for our customers:

- ~~Currently, we are working with CDHD to make sure that we are doing everything we~~ can to ensure safe food handling practices and root out the source of this contamination
- We will regularly post updated information to our website, but if you have specific questions, you can email mo@boise.coop.

What you should do for yourself:

- Pay close attention to symptoms of foodborne illness, which can be found on the CDC website [here](#).
- If you are experiencing any of these symptoms, visit a health care professional.
- Report your foodborne illness symptoms by calling the CDHD at 208-327-7499 or fill out a report online [here](#).

We deeply regret any illnesses resulting from this outbreak. We will continue to post updates **on our website** as more information becomes available.

Sincerely,
The Boise Co-op

UPDATE (6/15): We are voluntarily closing our Deli due to the salmonella outbreak investigation currently underway with the Central District Health Department (CDHD). These cases have now been confirmed as linked to food prepared in our Deli. As an added precaution, any foods purchased from our Deli after June 1, 2015 should be discarded. Please see Customer Service for a refund.

If you have any questions or to report food poisoning, please contact the CDHD at 208-327-7499.

We deeply regret any illnesses resulting from this outbreak. We will continue to post updates on our website as more information becomes available. Thank you for your understanding and patience.

The Central District Health Department (CDHD) informed the Boise Co-op that there is a salmonella outbreak in the area. The CDHD performed inspections over a two day period at Boise Co-op and found no health code violations during this time. The investigation is ongoing and we are taking it very seriously. We are working closely with the CDHD to ensure they have all the information they need. These incidents appear to be related to food consumed between June 1 and June 7, 2015. If you are experiencing symptoms of salmonella poisoning, it is very important that you see a healthcare provider as soon as possible. You can report cases of food poisoning at **CDHD's website HERE**. More information about salmonella is available **HERE**.

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Jim R. 4 days ago

"In the area??" Be more responsible. You mean "at the Co-Op."

Don't hide facts when people's health and lives are at stake.



Andy Rader 4 days ago

We are being responsible by cooperating with CDHD. The investigation is ongoing and we are awaiting more information. Some cases have been linked to the Co-op, but CDHD has informed us that there may be other sources in the area as well.

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