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Mayor Jim Reardon has announced "As of yesterday September 2, 2011 we were able to restore the integrity of the Rhinebeck Village water system. We were finally able to locate a major fracture in a water main in a creek crossing due to the effects of Hurricane Irene. Yesterday the water levels finally receded and the water had cleared enough for us to be able to locate this break. Once identified we were able to isolate this section of the main and after doing so we saw a marked increase in the level of our water storage tank and as of this morning the level had risen by 5.5 feet. The Dutchess County Department of Health along with the staff of our Water Department collected samples yesterday afternoon and evening and we are now awaiting the results of those tests. We are hopeful that by late this afternoon or early this evening we will have those results and that they prove the water is safe for consumption. If that is the case the Health Department will send a message once again through the rapid notification system which will call those within the system. Also there will be another media release such as this. The county has asked us to provide them with any feedback we can regarding the rapid notification system so we are asking that anyone that would like to share information please do so by going to our website at [www.rhinebeckvillage.org](http://www.rhinebeckvillage.org) and once there clicking on the contact us tab on the homepage. If you do not use a computer you may call us 876-7015 beginning Monday morning after 9:00 am. Also while on the website we urge you to opt in to our subscription service as this will allow us to keep you informed of all Village business. In light of the events surrounding Hurricane Irene it will be to everyone's advantage to participate in this service and allow us to keep everyone informed in a quick, concise manner. Thank you for your patience and cooperation.