



IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable.
Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

Tests Showed Average Total Trihalomethanes Levels Exceeded a Drinking Water Standard in Camp Pendleton's Southern Water System

Our water system recently violated a drinking water standard. Although this incident was not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened and what we are doing to correct this situation.

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. Testing results from July 2016 found that water samples collected from our Southern Water System exceeded the state standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL), for Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM). The Southern Water System provides water to the 43 Area and all other Camp Pendleton areas south of Las Pulgas Road. As our customers, you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we are doing to correct this situation.

The MCL for TTHM is 80 micrograms per liter (ug/L). Compliance with the MCL is determined by averaging four successive quarterly samples at each of four sampling locations in the Southern Water System. The TTHM average for the period October 2015 through September 2016 was 81 ug/L at one of these four locations

What should I do?

- There is nothing you need to do. You do not need to boil your water or take other corrective actions. If a situation arises where the water is no longer safe to drink, you will be notified within 24 hours.
- People with severely compromised immune systems, infants, pregnant women, and some elderly may be at increased risk. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from U.S. EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1(800) 426-4791.

What does this mean?

- This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified within 24 hours.

- TTHM are four volatile organic chemicals that form when disinfectants react with natural organic matter in the water. People who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous system, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

What is being done?

Upon learning of the exceedance, staff immediately flushed the water lines in the affected areas and will continue to flush the lines periodically to avoid water stagnation in distribution pipes, which contributes to TTHM formation. We will continue to monitor water quality closely and implement further action should the situation require.

For more information, please contact the Water Resource Division at (760) 763-0332, P.O. Box 555009 MCB Camp Pendleton, CA 92055.

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this public notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

Secondary Notification Requirements

Upon receipt of notification from a person operating a public water system, the following notification must be given within 10 days [Health and Safety Code Section 116450(g)]:

- SCHOOLS: Must notify school employees, students, and parents (if the students are minors).
- RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROPERTY OWNERS OR MANAGERS (including nursing homes and care facilities): Must notify tenants.
- BUSINESS PROPERTY OWNERS, MANAGERS, OR OPERATORS: Must notify employees of businesses located on the property.

This notice is being sent to you by the Camp Pendleton Southern Water System

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