# 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.

Si tiene alguna pregunta por favor llame al 559-562-7102 opción 4

## City of Lindsay has levels of Disinfection Byproducts Above Drinking Water Standards

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

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. Test results continue show that our system exceeds the standard or maximum contaminant level (MCL), for Total Trihalomethane (TTHM) and/or 5 Haloacidic Acids (HAA5). The MCL standard for THM is 0.080 ug/L and for HAA5 is 0.060 ug/L. The running average level of TTHM and HAA5 over the last year at each site is listed below;

Site	TTHM	HAA5	Site	TTHM	HAA5	Site	TTHM	HAA5
S1	.076	.011	S2	.72	.048	S3	.073	.051
S4	.083	.065	S5	.031	.030	S6	.033	.017
S7	.028	.023	S8	.048	.034	S9	.067	.037

#### What should I do?

You <u>do not</u> need to use an alternative (e.g., bottled) water supply. This is not an immediate risk. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately.

Some people who drink water containing TTHM's in excess of the MCL over many years may experience liver, kidney, or central nervous system problems, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer. Some people who drink water containing HAA5's in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

If you have other health issues concerning the consumption of this water, you may wish to consult your doctor.

## What happened? What was done?

Disinfection byproducts (TTHM and HAA5) are chemical, organic and inorganic substances that can form during a reaction of a disinfectant with naturally present organic matter in a water supply. TTHM and HAA5 samples are collected each quarter and a running annual average (RAA) is calculated for compliance.

The City has identified preliminary costs of renovating our primary disinfection process and until the project is funded and completed, will closely monitor operations to strive to lower TTHM and HAA5 levels. We will continue to sample and test TTHM and HAA5 at locations throughout the City and provide public notification as required.

We anticipate resolution of the problem within 15 months. If testing results show a reduction in TTHM and HAA5 levels, this will be identified in the next quarterly water system update. For more information, please contact Mike Camarena at 559-562-7102, ext.4 or at the following mailing address: P.O. Box 369, Lindsay, CA. 93247.

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 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 City of Lindsay.

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