

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.

Nitrate Monitoring Requirements Not Met for City of Needles During 2018

Our water system failed to monitor as required for drinking water standards during the past year and, therefore, was in violation of the regulations. Even though this failure was not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what you should do, what happened, and what we did to correct this situation.

We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. During calendar year 2018, we did not collect nitrate samples from the sources listed in the table below and therefore, cannot be sure of the quality of our drinking water during that time.

What should I do?

- There is nothing you need to do at this time.
- The table below lists the contaminant(s) we did not properly test for during the last year, how many samples we are required to take and how often, how many samples we took, when samples should have been taken, and the date on which follow-up samples were (or will be) taken.

<i>Contaminant</i>	<i>Required Sampling Frequency</i>	<i>Number of Samples Taken</i>	<i>When All Samples Should Have Been Taken</i>	<i>When Samples Were or Will Be Taken</i>
Nitrate	Minimum is one sample annually from WELL 12 WELL 11 WELL 08 WELL 15	None	During calendar year 2018	January 22, 2019 and March 20, 2019

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

What happened? What is being done?

The City works hard to ensure compliance with all Federal and State regulations. During Calendar Year 2018 annual nitrate samples were overlooked on wells #8, 11, 12, and 15. Staff has collected the required 2019 annual nitrate samples from wells #8, 11, 12, and 15 and has received the following results for wells #8, 11, and 15 (well #12 results are pending):

Chemical Constituent	Unit of Measure	Needles Range	Needles Average	State MCL	MCL Goal/ PHG
Nitrate (NO3)	mg/l	ND – 1.4	0.686	45	45

These results are compliant with the primary drinking water standards requirement.

The City has modified our sampling calendar to ensure that all required sampling and monitoring is conducted within the required monitoring period. This is evidenced by having collected all nitrate samples within the first quarter of 2019.

For more information, please contact our Business Office at (760) 326-2115; 817 Third St. Needles, CA 92363

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 City of Needles in compliance with the California Domestic Water Quality and Monitoring Regulations as a means of keeping the public informed.

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