



IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable.
Tradúzcalo, hable con alguien que lo entienda bien, o llame el número de teléfono anotado abajo.

The City of Stockton's Water System has Levels of Total Trihalomethanes Above Drinking Water Standards

Our water system recently violated a drinking water standard. Although this is not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we are doing to correct this situation. This notice only applies to City of Stockton Water Utility customers and does not apply to California Water Service Company or San Joaquin County water customers.

We routinely monitor our water system for the presence of drinking water contaminants. Testing results from April 18, 2012 to January 17, 2013 show that our system exceeded the standard or maximum contaminant level for Total Trihalomethane [TTHM]. The maximum level for TTHM is 80 parts per billion, which is the equivalent of a teaspoon of water in an Olympic-sized swimming pool. It is determined by the Locational Running Annual Average [LRAA] of samples collected at each sampling location, quarterly, over past 12 months. The LRAA level of TTHM collected at 4 of 19 sample locations ranged from 82 parts per billion to 96 parts per billion.

What should I do?

You do not need to use an alternative water supply (e.g., bottled water).

However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.

What does this mean?

This is not an immediate risk. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately. However, *some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the maximum contaminant level over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous system, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.*

What happened?

TTHMs are four organic chemicals which form when disinfectants react with natural organic matter in the water.

What was done?

We are working to minimize the formation of TTHM while ensuring we maintain an adequate level of disinfectant. We are taking immediate steps by changing water sources, modifying our treatment process and conducting system-wide flushing that began in February and will continue in March. We anticipate resolving the problem within the next three months.

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.

For additional information, please visit www.stocktongov.com/mud or call (866) 786-5987.

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