IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable.
Por favor hable con alguien que lo pueda tradúcir.

City of Avenal 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. The standard or maximum contaminant level (MCL) for total trihalomethanes (TTHMs) is 80 ug/L. Compliance with the TTHM MCL is based on a locational running annual average (LRAA) concentration at each site. Testing results collected on July 2, 2024, show that the LRAA's are below the TTHM MCL. The highest level of TTHMs over the last year was 55.50 ug/L (LRAA).

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. However, *some people who use water containing trihalomethanes 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.*
- If you have other health issues concerning the consumption of this water, you may wish to consult your doctor.

What happened? What was done?

During the drought of 2021-2022 raw water the City of Avenal receives from the California aqueduct was of poor quality, causing the water treatment plant to have issues reducing the level of TTHM's. As the raw water quality improved the City of Avenal dropped the level of TTHM's under the MCL. A grant for technical assistance was issued to the City of Avenal. The City of Avenal has since started working with Provost and Prichard, an engineering firm, on a plan to resolve the TTHM issue. Timeline for the development and implementation of the plan is estimated to be July 2026.

For more information

Water System Contact: Ronald Brumley at (559) 386-5766 or at the following mailing address: 919 Skyline Blvd. Avenal, California 93204

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 Avenal.

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