IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Maricopa Consolidated DWID /Valle Escondido System PWS # 04-11-409

Has Levels of Arsenic Above Drinking Water Standards

Our water system MCDWID 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 did (are doing) to correct this situation.

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. Testing results we received in October 2023 and January 2024 show that our system exceeds the standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL), for arsenic. The standard for arsenic is 10 parts per billion (ppb). The following table shows the average level of arsenic over the last year.

Date of sample	Sample result (ppb)	Annual average
4/8/2024	5.0	8.8
1/3/2024	9.1	11.1
10/10/2023	8.6	12.8
8/8/2023	9.1	11.9
7/18/2023	16.0	11.9
5/10/2023	14.0	9.7
4/11/2023	14.0	9.7

What should I do?

You do not need to use an alternative (e.g. bottled) water supply. 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. Some people who drink water containing arsenic in excess of the MCL over many years could experience skin damage or problems with circulatory system, and many have an increased risk of getting cancer.

What is being done?

The Operator Backwashed media and turned down the bypass to 40 gallons per minute. A grab sample was taken after the new changes and are now under the 0.10 MCL. The issue has been resolved as of now with a 5ppb on last sample test.

For more information, please contact Matt Williford at 520 251-2355 or P.O. Box 209, Maricopa, AZ 85139.

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.

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