

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER**

Este aviso contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable, por favor lea el aviso en español si va aquí incluido. Si el aviso en español no va incluido aquí, contacte al sistema de agua para pedir una copia.

### **The City of Lemoore has levels of Total Trihalomethanes 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. Testing results we received on January 26, 2023 show that our system exceeds the standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL), for Total Trihalomethanes. The MCL standard for Total Trihalomethanes is 80 µg/L. The average level of Total Trihalomethanes over the last year was 109.3 µg/L. Samples for the first quarter were taken on January 18, 2023. Results were 40 µg/L, 190 µg/L, 140 µg/L, and 140 µg/L for sample stations 1-4, respectively.

### **What should I do?**

- You do not 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 drink 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?**

In June 2021 the City of Lemoore called for a state of emergency after water storage tank exploded at Site 7, due to the failure of a welder to check the atmosphere for gas as required before striking an arc weld to the tank. The result of the explosion caused one fatality, one injury, damaged property, stopped all progress to water treatment plants construction/testing and opened several investigations for legality/water quality. The City of Lemoore is waiting on final bids to complete construction of the water treatment plant. The anticipated total trihalomethane compliance date is unknown at this time.

For more information, please contact; Fernando Saenz at (559) 623-2457 or at the following email address: [fsaenz@calruralwater.org](mailto:fsaenz@calruralwater.org)

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 [per 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 Lemoore water system.

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