

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

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Bridgeport PUD Has Levels of Arsenic Above the Drinking Water Standard

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 you should do, what happened, and what we are doing to correct this situation.

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. Water sample results received on 08/20/2021 showed arsenic levels of 0.013 milligrams per liter. This is above the standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL), of 0.010 milligrams per liter.

What should I do?

- **You do not need to use an alternative water supply (e.g., bottled water).**
- This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately. However, *some people who drink water containing arsenic in excess of the MCL over many years may experience skin damage or circulatory system problems, and may have an increased risk to getting cancer.*
- If you have other health issues concerning the consumption of this water, you may wish to consult your doctor.

What happened? What is being done? Due to High water use during the summer month the Arsenic removal plant could not keep up with the demand on the system resulting in high arsenic levels for the month.

We anticipate resolving the problem by September 1st 2021 when water demand slows down, we have started longer more frequent backwashes to try and keep up.

For more information, please contact [Thomas Mullinax](#) at [\(530\)363-0519](#) or P.O. Box 473, Bridgeport, CA 93517

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.

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State Water System Number: 2610003

Date distributed: [10/19/2023](#).

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Appendix 2 – Compliance Certification

Citation Number: 05-27-23C-010

Name of Water System: Bridgeport PUD

System Number: 2610003

This form, when completed and sent to Dwpdist27@waterboards.ca.gov for the Division of Drinking Water, Mojave District at 464 W. 4th St., Suite 427, San Bernardino, CA 92401, certifies that the required actions listed below were completed and public notification of water users was performed as required by California Code of Regulations, title 22, sections 64463 through 64465.

THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO THE STATE WATER BOARD, DIVISION OF DRINKING WATER, NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 27, 2023 FOR DIRECTIVE 4 AND NO LATER THAN AUGUST 12, 2024 FOR DIRECTIVE 5.

Required Action	Date Completed
Directive 2 (Public Notification for Arsenic treatment plant maximum contaminant level exceedance in August 2021)	10/19/2023
Directive 3 (Public Notification for Arsenic treatment plant maximum contaminant level exceedance in July 2023)	10/19/2023

Attach a copy of the public notice distributed to the water system's customers.

Public notification for failure to comply with permit conditions was conducted on: 10/23/2023
(date) using the following delivery and good-faith efforts (check all that apply and fill in requested information):

For community and nontransient-noncommunity public water systems

- ☒ The notice was distributed by mail or direct delivery to each customer.
- ☐ The water system has used the 2023 Consumer Confidence Report, to be distributed no later than July 1, 2024 to satisfy the notification requirement. **NOTE:** This is only allowed for the public notification required in Directive 3

Secondary notification requirements for all systems

One or more of the following methods were used to notify persons (such as renters, students, patients, prison inmates, etc.) not likely to be reached by mailing or direct delivery.

(Transient noncommunity systems: Must utilize posting and one additional secondary method)

- ☐ Posted the notice at the following conspicuous locations served by the water system. (If more space is needed, please attach a list of locations). _____
- ☐ Publication of the notice in a local newspaper or newsletter of general circulation (attach a copy of the published notice, including name of newspaper and date published).
- ☒ Posted the notice on the Internet at www._____
- ☐ Other method used to notify customers. _____

I hereby certify that the above information is factual.

Certified by: Printed Name Thomas Mullinax Title Operations & Field Manager
Signature Thomas Mullinax
Date 10/23/2023

Disclosure: Be advised that the California Health and Safety Code sections 116725 and 116730 state that any person who knowingly makes any false statement on any report or document submitted for the purpose of compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act may be liable for a civil penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for each separate violation or, for continuing violations, for each day that violation continues, or may be charged with a misdemeanor, punishable with a fine of up to \$25,000 for each day of violation, or by imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed one year, or by both the fine and imprisonment.

Appendix 3 – Notification of Receipt

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Certification

I certify that I am an authorized representative of the Bridgeport PUD and that Citation No. 05-27-23C-010 was received on 10/16/2023. I further certify that the Citation has been reviewed by the appropriate management staff of the Bridgeport PUD and that they clearly understand that the Citation contains legally enforceable directives with specific due dates.

Thomas Mullinax

Signature of Water System Representative

10/19/2023

Date

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