

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable.
Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

The Keeler CSD Water System Has Levels of Arsenic and Manganese Above the Drinking Water Standard

Our water system recently violated the California State drinking water standards. 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. A water sample taken on March 18, 2021, at Well 01 showed an arsenic level of 0.077 mg/L (milligrams per liter). The arsenic running annual average for the first quarter of 2021 is 0.09 mg/L. This is above the U.S. EPA standard or maximum contaminant level (MCL) of 0.010 milligrams per liter.

That same water sample taken on March 18, 2021, showed manganese level of 0.086 mg/L. The manganese running annual average for the first quarter of 2021 is 0.09mg/L. This is above the EPA standard or MCL of 0.05 mg/L. Manganese at very high levels can pose a neurotoxic risk.

The results from arsenic samples from several POU devices between January 1, 2021-February 3, 2021, are listed in the table below. The running annual average for the POU devices sampled during the 1st quarter of 2021 was at 0.030 mg/L. This is also above the U.S. EPA standard or maximum contaminant level (MCL) of 0.010 milligrams per liter.

Device Number	Result
POU # 26	0.007 mg/L
POU # 38	0.055 mg/L
POU # 44	0.009 mg/L
POU # 53	0.003 mg/L
POU # 60	0.001 mg/L
POU # 34	0.026 mg/L
POU # 35	0.009 mg/L
POU # 16	0.013 mg/L
POU # 10	0.007 mg/L
POU # 8	0.018 mg/L
POU # 3	0.015 mg/L
POU # 20	0.008 mg/L
POU # 54	0.025 mg/L
POU # 5	0.170 mg/L
POU # 25	0.239 mg/L
POU #7	0.0.27 mg/L
POU #2	0.011 mg/L
POU #31	0.000 mg/L
POU #12	0.000 mg/L
POU #13	0.004 mg/L
POU #44B	0.016 mg/L
POU #47	0.030 mg/L

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What should I do?

- **Use an alternative water supply (e.g., bottled water); do NOT use the water from your POU unit for consumption until it is tested and sample results show that the arsenic concentration is below 0.010 milligrams per liter (mg/L) or 10 micrograms per liter (µg/L).**
- 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?

The arsenic and manganese assay results are greater than the MCL. We will continue to monitor for these chemicals on a quarterly basis at the well site and annually test the POU devices. Do NOT use your POU unit until it is sampled and the test results show that the water being provided meets drinking water standards. Do not consume untreated KCSD water from the well. The KCSD will test and maintain its POU devices while looking for funding to obtain other possible arsenic and manganese treatment facilities, or another water source that meets state approval. For more information, please contact the KCSD at P.O. Box 107, Keeler, CA 93530, or fill our online request form at: [Contact Us - Keeler Community Service District \(specialdistrict.org\)](http://specialdistrict.org)