

Pine Lake Subdivision North WSC

2018 Drinking Water Quality Report

SPECIAL NOTICE:

Required language for ALL community public water supplies:

You may be more vulnerable than the general population to certain microbial contaminants, such as Cryptosporidium, in drinking water. Infants, some elderly or immuno-compromised persons such as those undergoing chemotherapy for cancer, those who have undergone organ transplants, those who are undergoing treatment with steroids; and people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, can be particularly at risk from infections. You should seek advice about drinking water from your physician or health care provider. Additional guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800)426-4791.

OUR DRINKING WATER IS SAFE

Meeting or Exceeding all Federal (EPA) Requirements.

This report is a summary of the quality of the water we provide our customer. The analysis was made by using the data from the most recent U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) required tests and is presented in the attached pages. We hope this information helps you become more knowledgeable about what's in your drinking water.

SOURCE OF DRINKING WATER

The sources of drinking water (both tap and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals, and in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water include: *-Microbial contaminants*, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife. *-Inorganic contaminants*, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming. *-Pesticides and herbicides*, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses; *-Organic chemical contaminants*, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems; *-Radioactive* contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

En Español

Este reporte incluye información importante sobre su agua potable. Si tiene preguntas o comentarios sobre este informe en español, favor de llamar al tel. (936) 588-1166—para hablar con una persona bilingue en español.

Where do we get our drinking water?

The source of drinking water used by Pine Lake Subdivision is Ground Water. A Source Water Susceptibility Assessment for your drinking water source is currently being updated by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. This information describes the susceptibility and types of constituents that may come into contact with your drinking water source based on human activities and natural conditions. The information contained in the assessment will allow us to focus our source water protection strategies. Some of this source water assessment information is available on Texas Drinking Water Watch at <http://dww.tceq.state.tx.us/DWW/>. For more information on source water assessments and protection efforts at our system, please contact the office the district operator - Hays Utility North at 936-588-1166.

ALL Drinking Water May Contain Contaminants

When drinking water meets federal standards there may not be any health based benefits to purchasing bottled water or point of use devices. Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

Public input concerning your water system may be made by contacting Philip Wright or John Wright, Hays Utility North at 936-588-1166 with any concerns or questions you may have.

Secondary Constituents

Many constituents (such as calcium, sodium, or iron) which are often found in drinking water, can cause taste, color, and odor problems. The taste and odor constituents are called secondary constituents and are regulated by the State of Texas, not the EPA. **These constituents are not causes for health concern.** Therefore, secondaries are not required to be reported in this document but they may greatly affect the appearance and taste of your water.

About the Following Page

The page that follows lists all of the federally regulated or monitored contaminants which have been found in your drinking water. The U.S. EPA requires water systems to test for up to 97 contaminants.

DEFINITIONS

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) - The highest level of a contaminant allowed in drinking water. MCL's are set as close to the MCLG's as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) - The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is not known or expected health risk. MCLG's allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL)- The highest level of disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG) - The level of disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contamination.

Treatment Technique - A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Action Level - The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

ppm = parts per million, one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

ppb = parts per billion, one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

pCi/L = pico curies per liter: (a measure of radio-activity).



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Based on Latest Water Quality Data From the TCEQ

Inorganic Contaminants

Year Range	Constituent	Highest Level Detected	Range of Detected Levels	MCLG	MCL	Unit of Measure	Violation	Source of Constituent
2016	Arsenic	3.8	3.8—3.8	10	0	ppb	N	Erosion of Natural Deposits; runoff from orchards; runoff from glass and electronics productions wastes
2016	Barium	0.32	0.32—0.32	2	2	ppm	N	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of Natural Deposits
2018	Fluoride	0.42	0.42—0.42	4	4	ppm	N	Erosion of Natural Deposits; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
2017	Nitrate [measured as Nitrogen]	.02	.02—.02	10	10	ppm	N	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks,sewage,Erosion of natural deposits
2016	Selenium	6.0	6.0—6.0	50	50	ppb	N	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from mines
2018	Combined Radium 226&228	2.37	2.37—2.37	5	5	pCi/L	N	Erosion of Natural Deposits
2018	*Beta / photon emitters	7	7—7	0	50	pCi/L	N	Decay of natural and man-made deposits.
2018	Gross Alpha excluding radon and uranium	6	6—6	0	15	pCi/L	N	Erosion of Natural Deposits
2018	Uranium	4.7	4.7—4.7	0	30	ug/l	N	Erosion of natural deposits
2017	Di (2-ethylhexyl) phthalate	1	1 - 1	0	6	Ppb	N	Discharge from rubber and chemical factories

*EPA considers 50 pCi/L to be the level of concern for beta particles

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level

Year	Constituent	Average Detected Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	MCL	MCLG	Unit of Measure	Violation	Source of Constituent
2018	Chlorine Residual, Free	1.33	0.99	1.98	4	4	ppm	N	Water additive used to control microbes

Lead and Copper

Year	Constituent	The 90th Percentile	Number of Sites Exceeding Action Level	Action Level	Unit of Measure	Violation	Source of Constituent
2018	Lead	35.5	0	15	ppb	N	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits
2018	Copper	0.138	1	1.3	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives; corrosion of household plumbing systems

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. This water supply system is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When you water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Water Drinking Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

The drinking water produced by Your District exceeds all of the minimum water quality standards as established by the EPA.