

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 Schoepe Water Tank facility of the Yuima Municipal Water District Had Levels of Nitrate Above the Drinking Water Standard

Water sample results received July 10, 2018 showed nitrate levels of 12 milligrams per liter. This is above the nitrate standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL), of 10 milligrams per liter. Nitrate in drinking water is a serious health concern for infants less than six months old.

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. The problem has been corrected. We apologize for any inconvenience and thank you for your patience.

What should I do?

- **You do not need to use an alternative water supply (e.g., bottled water).**
- **This is not an immediate risk.** As nitrate levels have returned to levels below the MCL. However, Infants below the age of six months who drink water containing nitrate in excess of the MCL may quickly become seriously ill and, if untreated, may die because high nitrate levels can interfere with the capacity of the infant's blood to carry oxygen. Symptoms include shortness of breath and blueness of the skin. High nitrate levels may also affect the oxygen-carrying ability of the blood of pregnant women.
- 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?

Nitrate in drinking water can come from natural, industrial, or agricultural sources (including septic systems, storm water run-off, and fertilizers). Levels of nitrate in drinking water can vary throughout the year.

The water district is continually monitoring the level of nitrate in the water supply at this facility and will immediately shut down the facility and provide water from alternative sources within the water system should the nitrate MCL be exceeded. We are also creating a formal blending plan for this facility which detail a formal procedure on ensuring that nitrate that exceeds the MCL does not enter the system.

For more information, please contact Richard Williamson at 760-742-3704 or by mailing any questions you may have to Yuima Municipal Water District, P.O. Box 177, Pauma Valley, CA 92061.

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