

FOREST WSC

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PWS TX0370019

MCL, LRAA / TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5) / TTHM

June 9, 2023

Re: Quarter One

Dear Customers,

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has notified the FOREST WSC TX0370019 that the drinking water being supplied to customers had exceeded the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for haloacetic acids (group of five), and total trihalomethanes. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has established the MCL for haloacetic acids (group of five) to be 0.060 milligrams per liter (mg/L) and total trihalomethanes to be 0.080 milligrams per liter (mg/L) based on locational running annual average (LCRR) and has determined that it is a health concern at levels above the MCL. Analysis of drinking water in your community for haloacetic acids (group of five) and total trihalomethanes indicates a compliance value in quarter one 2023 of 0.158 mg/L (HAA5) and 0.149 mg/L (TTHM) for DBP2-01, and 0.091 mg/L (HAA5) and 0.092 mg/L (TTHM) for DBP2-02.

Haloacetic acids and trihalomethanes are a group of volatile organic compounds that are formed when chlorine, added to the water during the treatment process for disinfection, reacts with naturally occurring organic matter in the water.

Some people who drink water containing HAA5 in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer, and some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidney, or central nervous systems, and also may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

You do not need to use an alternative water supply. However, if you have health concerns, you may want to talk to your doctor to get more information about how this may affect you.

We are taking the following actions to address this issue:

To correct this issue and any future issues, Forest WSC has installed more flush valves throughout the system to ensure the disinfection process into our system continues to meet all EPA standards for our customers. Having safe drinking water is our main priority and we will continue all endeavors needed to meet that. Plans are already in motion with TCEQ, engineers and Forest to rectify this issue as promptly as possible. However, please note, your water is safe to drink!

Please share this information with all people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (i.e. 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.

If you have questions regarding this matter, you may contact the Forest WSC at (936) 867-4118 or email krblackconstruction@gmail.com

Thank you,
Forest WSC Staff

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