2023 Consumer Confidence Report

Water System Name: Harris Farms/Horse Barns

Report Date: 2023

We test the drinking water quality for many constituents as required by state and federal regulations. This report shows the results of our monitoring for the period of January 1 - December 31, 2023 and may include earlier monitoring data.

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua para beber. Favor de comunicarse HARRIS FARMS HORSE BARNS a 559-884-2859 para asistirlo en español.

Type of water source(s) in use: ______Surface water

Name & general location of source(s): California Aqueduct, Westlands Water District Lateral 19R 3.05

Drinking Water Source Assessment information:

The California Aqueduct is exposed to a wide variety of possible contaminants throughout its length. Of primary concern to Harris Farms/Horse Barn are those activities occurring in the Reach downstream from the San Luis Reservoir. Water entering the San Luis Reservoir and the O'Neil Forebay bring with it mixture of contaminants accumulated in passage through the Sacramento Valley, the San Joaquin Delta and the Inflow from many drainage inlets between the Delta and the Reservoir. Storm runoff and agricultural drainage inflow at many locations in this watershed could possibly reach the Aqueduct. In the O'Neil Forebay the Aqueduct water is mingled with water from the Federal Delta-Mendota Canal, which is also influenced by significant storm runoff and Agricultural drainage. Contaminates can enter the Aqueduct in the reaches of downstream of the San Luis Reservoir. Storm drainage from the east side of the Coast Range accumulates adjacent to the Aqueduct and is pumped into the aqueduct for disposal/ this drainage contains asbestos, agricultural drainage, oil field wastes and other potential chemicals from accidental spills. Westlands Water District enforces a policy that does not allow drainage water or return water off fields to reenter their delivery system. The district maintains an active Municipal and Industrial Back-Flow prevention program approved by the California Department of Health Services for those connections that require protective devices.

Time and place of regularly scheduled board meetings for public participation: ______Please call for appointment

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TERMS USED IN THIS REPORT

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL): The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. Primary MCLs are set as close to the PHGs (or MCLGs) as is economically and technologically feasible. Secondary MCLs are set to protect the odor, taste, and appearance of drinking water.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs are set by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA).

Public Health Goal (PHG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. PHGs are set by the California Environmental Protection Agency.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL): The highest level of a 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 a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to

Secondary Drinking Water Standards (SDWS): MCLs for contaminants that affect taste, odor, or appearance of the drinking water. Contaminants with SDWSs do not affect the health at the MCL levels.

Treatment Technique (TT): A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Regulatory Action Level (AL): The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system must follow.

Variances and Exemptions: State Board permission to exceed an MCL or not comply with a treatment technique under certain conditions.

Level 1 Assessment: A Level 1 assessment is a study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system.

Level 2 Assessment: A Level 2 assessment is a very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why an *E. coli* MCL violation has occurred and/or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system on multiple occasions.

ND: not detectable at testing limit

health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

Primary Drinking Water Standards (PDWS): MCLs and MRDLs for contaminants that affect health along with their monitoring and reporting requirements, and water treatment requirements.

 $\ensuremath{\textit{ppm}}\xspace$ parts per million or milligrams per liter (mg/L)

ppb: parts per billion or micrograms per liter ($\mu g/L$)

ppt: parts per trillion or nanograms per liter (ng/L)

ppq: parts per quadrillion or picogram per liter (pg/L)

pCi/L: picocuries per liter (a measure of radiation)

The sources of drinking water (both tap water 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, that may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- *Inorganic contaminants*, such as salts and metals, that can be naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- *Pesticides and herbicides*, that 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, that are byproducts of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, agricultural application, and septic systems.
- *Radioactive contaminants*, that can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the U.S. EPA and the State Water Resources Control Board (State Board) prescribe regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. State Board regulations also establish limits for contaminants in bottled water that provide the same protection for public health.

Tables 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 list all of the drinking water contaminants that were detected during the most recent sampling for the constituent. The presence of these contaminants in the water does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. The State Board allows us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently. Some of the data, though representative of the water quality, are more than one year old. Any violation of an AL, MCL, MRDL, or TT is asterisked. Additional information regarding the violation is provided later in this report.

TABLE 1 – SAMPLING RESULTS SHOWING THE DETECTION OF COLIFORM BACTERIA								
Microbiological Contaminants	Highest No. of Detections	No. of Months in Violation	MCL	MCLG	Typical Source of Bacteria			
E. Coli	0	0	(a)	0	Human and animal fecal waste			
 (a) Routine and repeat samples are total coniform-positive and either is E. coli-positive or system fails to take repeat samples following E. Coli-positive routine sample or system fails to analyze total coliform-positive repeat samples for E-coli. 								
TABLE 1.A COMPLIANCE WITH TOTAL COLIFORM MCL BETWEEN JANUARY 1, 2023 AND JUNE 30, 2023 (INCLUSIVE)								
Microbiological Contaminants	Highest No. of Detections	No. of Months in Violation	MCL	MCLG	Typical Source of Bacteria			
Total Coliform Bacteria	0	0	1 positive monthly sample (a)	0	Naturally present in the environment			
Fecal Coliform and E.coli	0	0	0	None	Human and animal fecal waste			
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TABLE 2 – SAMPLING RESULTS SHOWING THE DETECTION OF LEAD AND COPPER									
Lead and Copper (complete if lead or copper detected in the last sample set)	Sample Date	No. of Samples Collected	90 th Percentile Level Detected	No. Sites Exceeding AL	AL	PHG	No. of Schools Requesting Lead Sampling	Typical Source of Contaminant	
Lead (ppb)	9/26/22	5	0.009	1	15	0.2	0	Internal corrosion of household water plumbing systems; discharges from industrial manufacturers; erosion of natural deposits	
Copper (ppm)	9/26/22	5	0	0	1.3	0.3	Not applicable	Internal corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives	

TABLE 3 – SAMPLING RESULTS FOR SODIUM AND HARDNESS								
Chemical or Constituent (and reporting units)	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections	MCL	PHG (MCLG)	Typical Source of Contaminant		
Sodium (ppm)	2023	16	N/A	none	none	Salt present in the water and is generally naturally occurring		
Hardness (ppm)	2023	59	N/A	none	none	Sum of polyvalent cations present in the water, generally magnesium and calcium, and are usually naturally occurring		

TABLE 4 – DETECTION OF CONTAMINANTS WITH A PRIMARY DRINKING WATER STANDARD								
Chemical or Constituent (and reporting units)	Sample Level Date Detected		Range of Detections	MCL [MRDL]	PHG (MCLG) [MRDLG]	Typical Source of Contaminant		
Inorganic Contaminants		-	-	-	-			
Aluminum (mg/L)	2023	.88	N/A	1	10	Some people who drink water containing aluminum in excess of the MCL over many years may experience short-term gastrointestinal tract effects.		
Nitrate (mg/L)	2023	0.49	N/A	10	10	Runoff and leaching from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks and sewage; erosion of natural deposits		
Disinfection Byproducts, Disinfectant Residuals, and Disinfection Byproduct Precursors								
Total Trihalomethanes (ug/L)	2023	46	28 - 81	80	N/A	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection		
HAAs (ug/L)	2023	39.52	7.3 - 63	60	N/A	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection		

TABLE 5 – DETECTION OF CONTAMINANTS WITH A SECONDARY DRINKING WATER STANDARD								
Chemical or Constituent (and reporting units)	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections	MCL	PHG (MCLG)	Typical Source of Contaminant		
Color (Units)	2023	70	15 - 150	15	N/A	Naturally-occurring organic materials		
Specific Conductance(uS/Cm)	2022	510	N/A	1600	N/A	Substances that form ions when in water; seawater influence		
Chloride (ppm)	2023	18	N/A	500	N/A	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; seawater influence		
Iron	2023	1300	N/A	300	N/A	Leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes		
Manganese (ug/L)	2023	53	NA	50	N/A	Leaching from natural deposits		
Odor (Units)	2023	1	N/A	3	N/A	Naturally-occurring organic materials		
Specific Conductance	2023	60	N/A	1600	N/A	Substances that form ions when in water; seawater influence		

Sulfate (mg/L)	2023	21	N/A	500	N/A	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes
Total Dissolved Solids (ppm)	2023	130	N/A	1000	N/A	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits
Turbidity (Units)* RAW	2023	34	N/A	5	N/A	Soil runoff

TABLE 6 – DETECTION OF UNREGULATED CONTAMINANTS								
Chemical or Constituent (and reporting units)	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections	Notification Level	Health Effects Language			
Calcium (mg/L)	2023	14	NA	None	None			
Magnesium (mg/L)	2023	6.1	NA	None	None			
Potassium (mg/L)	2023	2.5	NA	None	None			

Additional General Information on Drinking Water

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 the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the U.S. EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. U.S. EPA/Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

Lead-Specific Language for Community Water 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. Harris Farms/Horse Barns is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your 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. [Optional: If you do so, you may wish to collect the flushed water and reuse it for another beneficial purpose, such as watering plants.] 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 Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791) or at http://www.epa.gov/lead.

For Systems Providing Surface Water as a Source of Drinking Water

TABLE 8 - SAMPLING RESULTS SHOWING TREATMENT OF SURFACE WATER SOURCES

Treatment Technique ^(a) (Type of approved filtration technology used)	Direct Filtration
	Turbidity of the filtered water must:
Turbidity Performance Standards ^(b)	1 – Be less than or equal to 0.3 NTU in 95% of measurements in a month.
(that must be met through the water treatment process)	2 - Not exceed 0.3 NTU for more than eight consecutive hours.
	3 – Not exceed 0.3 NTU at any time.
Lowest monthly percentage of samples that met Turbidity Performance Standard No. 1.	100
Highest single turbidity measurement during the year	0.28
Number of violations of any surface water treatment requirements	0

(a) A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

(b) Turbidity (measured in NTU) is a measurement of the cloudiness of water and is a good indicator of water quality and filtration performance. Turbidity results which meet performance standards are considered to be in compliance with filtration requirements.