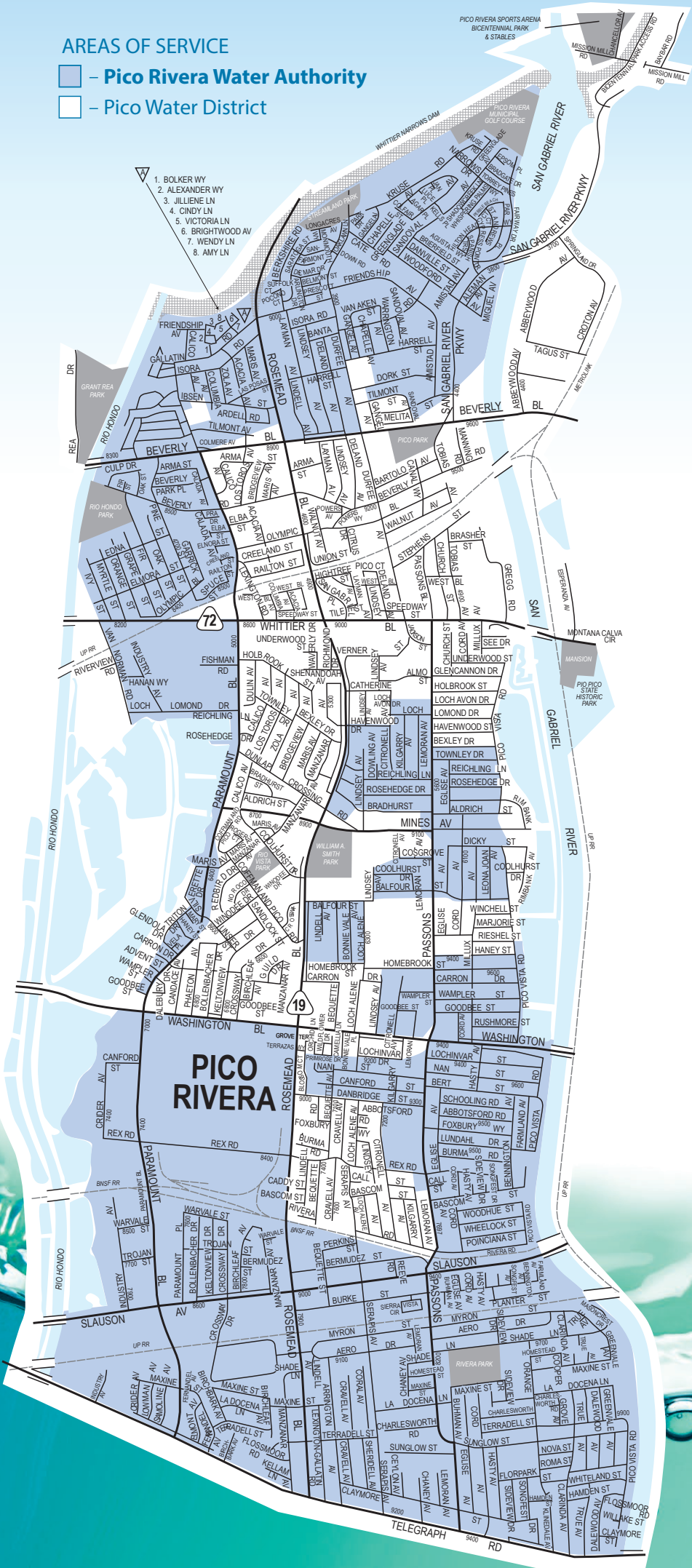




2025 Consumer Confidence Report

AREAS OF SERVICE

-  - Pico Rivera Water Authority
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his report is a snapshot of the tap water quality that the Pico Rivera Water Authority provided in 2025. Included are details about where your water comes from, how it is tested, what is in it, and how it compares with state and federal limits. We strive to keep you informed about the quality of your water, and to provide a reliable and economic supply that meets all regulatory requirements.



este informe es una instantánea de la calidad del agua del grifo que la Autoridad del Agua de Pico Rivera proporcionó en 2025. Incluimos detalles sobre el origen del agua que toma, cómo se analiza, que contiene, y cómo se compara con los límites estatales y federales. Nos esforzamos por mantenerle informado sobre la calidad de su agua, y proveerle un abastecimiento confiable y económico que cumpla con todos los requisitos.



WHERE DOES MY TAP WATER COME FROM?

Your tap water comes from local, deep groundwater wells that supply our service area shown on the adjacent map. The quality of groundwater delivered to your home is presented in this report.

HOW IS MY DRINKING WATER TESTED?

Your drinking water is tested regularly for unsafe levels of chemicals, radioactivity and bacteria at the source and in the distribution system. We test weekly, monthly, quarterly, annually or less often depending on the substance. State and federal laws allow us to test some substances less than once per year because their levels do not change frequently. All water quality tests are conducted by specially trained technicians in state-certified laboratories.

WHAT ARE DRINKING WATER STANDARDS?

The U.S Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) limits the amount of certain substances allowed in tap water. In California, the State Water Resources Control Board (State Board) regulates tap water quality by enforcing limits that are at least as stringent as the USEPA's. Historically, California limits are more stringent than the Federal ones.

There are two types of these limits, known as standards. Primary standards protect you from substances that could potentially affect your health. Secondary standards regulate substances that affect the aesthetic qualities of water. Regulations set a Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for each of the primary and secondary standards. The MCL is the highest level of a substance that is allowed in your drinking water.

Public Health Goals (PHGs) are set by the California Environmental Protection Agency. PHGs provide more information on the quality of drinking water to customers, and are similar to their federal counterparts, Maximum Contaminant Level Goals (MCLGs). PHGs and MCLGs are advisory levels that are nonenforceable. Both PHGs and MCLGs are concentrations of a substance below which there are no known or expected health risks.

HOW DO I READ THE WATER QUALITY TABLE?

Although we test for over 100 substances, regulations require us to report only those found in your water. The first column of the water quality table lists substances detected in your drinking water. The next columns list the average concentration and range of concentrations found in your drinking water. Following are columns that list the MCL and PHG or MCLG, if appropriate. The last column describes the likely sources of these substances in drinking water.

To review the quality of your drinking water, compare the highest concentration and the MCL. Exceedence of a primary MCL does not usually constitute an immediate health threat. Rather, it requires testing the source water more frequently for a short duration. If test results show that the water continues to exceed the MCL, the water must be treated to remove the substance, or the source must be removed from service.

WHY DO I SEE SO MUCH COVERAGE IN THE NEWS ABOUT THE QUALITY OF TAP WATER?

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, including 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, 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, 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, which 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 USEPA 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. Department regulations also establish limits for contaminants in bottled water that must provide the same protection for public health.

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 USEPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791). You can also get more information on tap water by logging on to these helpful web sites:

<http://water.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water/safe-drinking-water-information>
(USEPA's website)

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking_water/certlic/drinkingwater/Chemicalcontaminants.html
(State Board website)

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 services lines and home plumbing. The City of Pico Rivera 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. 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 or at <http://www.epa.gov/lead>

SHOULD I TAKE ADDITIONAL PRECAUTIONS?

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immunocompromised 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. The USEPA/ Centers for Disease Control guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection of *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from the USEPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

SOURCE WATER ASSESSMENT

The City of Pico Rivera conducted an assessment of its groundwater supplies in 2003. Groundwater supplies are considered most vulnerable to automobile gas stations, known contaminant plumes, chemical/petroleum processing/storage, metal plating/finishing/fabricating, plastics/synthetics producers, and dry cleaners. A copy of the approved assessment may be obtained by submitting a written request to City Hall at 6615 Passons Blvd., Pico Rivera, CA 90660.

HOW CAN I PARTICIPATE IN DECISIONS ON WATER ISSUES THAT AFFECT ME?

The public is welcome to attend City Council Meetings on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at 6615 Passons Blvd, Pico Rivera, CA 90660.

HOW DO I CONTACT MY WATER AGENCY IF I HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT WATER QUALITY?

If you have specific questions about your tap water quality, please contact Mr. Adrian Rodriguez at (562) 801-4462.

SOME HELPFUL WATER CONSERVATION TIPS

- Fix leaky faucets in your home and save up to 20 gallons every day for every leak stopped.
- Save between 15 and 50 gallons each time by only washing full loads of laundry.
- Adjust your sprinklers so that water lands on your lawn/ garden, not the sidewalk/driveway and save 500 gallons per month.
- Use organic mulch around plants to reduce evaporation and save hundreds of gallons a year.
- Turn off the water while brushing your teeth and save 25 gallons a month.

Visit us on the web at www.pico-rivera.org

UNREGULATED CONTAMINANT MONITORING REGULATION (UCMR-5)

The Safe Drinking Water Act requires the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to identify unregulated contaminants for potential regulations. Every five years, EPA identifies a list of unregulated contaminants to be monitored for by the nation's water utilities over a three-year period. This is occurring in 2023-2025 with the Fifth UCMR (UCMR-5). In 2023, the City of Pico Rivera began monitoring for a total of 30 chemical contaminants from its wells along with a corresponding sampling from the distribution system reflecting water from each well. Once EPA has obtained this occurrence data nationally, they are required to determine if there is a meaningful opportunity for increased health protection of drinking water by regulating these contaminants. The findings from this monitoring are reported in this year's Consumer Confidence Report.

FIFTH UNREGULATED CONTAMINANT MONITORING REGULATION (UCMR-5) MONITORED IN 2023-2025

CHEMICAL PARAMETERS	AVERAGE	RANGE	MINIMUM REPORTING LEVEL (MRL) (ug/L)	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
Perfluorobutanoic Acid (PFBA)	0.0042	ND - 0.014	0.005	PFAS are a group of synthetic chemicals used in a wide range of consumer products and industrial applications including: non-stick cookware, water-repellent clothing, stain-resistant fabrics and carpets, cosmetics, firefighting foams, electroplating, and products that resist grease, water, and oil. PFAS are found in the blood of people and animals and in water, air, fish, and soil at locations across the United States and the world.
Perfluorobutane Sulfonic Acid (PFBS)	0.0046	ND - 0.01	0.003	
Perfluorodecanoic Acid (PFDA)	0.0011	ND - 0.0056	0.003	
Perfluoroheptanoic Acid (PFHpA)	0.0009	ND - 0.0041	0.003	
Perfluorohexanoic Acid (PFHxA)	0.0068	ND - 0.015	0.003	
Perfluorohexane Sulfonic Acid (PFHxS)	0.0009	ND - 0.0056	0.003	
Perfluorooctanoic Acid (PFOA)	0.0067	ND - 0.016	0.004	
Perfluorooctane Sulfonic Acid (PFOS)	0.0013	ND - 0.03	0.004	
Perfluorononanoic Acid (PFNA)t	0.0023	ND - 0.0041	0.004	
Perfluoropentanoic Acid (PFPeA)	0.0078	ND - 0.017	0.003	
Lithium (ug/l)	2.067	ND - 14.8	9.000	
				Naturally-occurring metal that may concentrate in brine waters; lithium salts are used as pharmaceuticals, used in eletrochemical cells, batteries, and in organic syntheses.

¿DE DÓNDE PROVIENE EL AGUA QUE TOMO?

Su agua de la llave proviene de las aguas subterráneas de uno o más pozos profundos. Estos pozos abastecen nuestra área de servicio que muestra el mapa adjunto. La calidad del agua que llega a su hogar se presenta en este informe.

¿CÓMO SE ANALIZA MI AGUA POTABLE?

El agua que toma se analiza regularmente para asegurarnos de que no halla niveles altos de sustancias químicas, de radioactividad o de bacteria en el sistema de distribución y en las tomas de servicios. Estos análisis se llevan a cabo semanal, mensual, trimestral, y anualmente o con más frecuencia, dependiendo de la sustancia analizada. Bajo las leyes estatales y federales, se nos permite analizar algunas sustancias menos frecuentemente que los periodos anuales porque los resultados no cambian.

¿CUALES SON LOS ESTÁNDARES DEL AGUA POTABLE?

La Agencia Federal de Protección al Medio Ambiente (USEPA) impone los límites de las cantidades de ciertos contaminantes en el agua potable. En California, el Tablero de Control de Recursos de Echar agua Estatal (Bordo Estatal) regula la calidad de agua del grifo haciendo cumplir límites que son al menos tan rigurosos como el USEPA's. Historicamente, los estandares de California han sido más estrictos que los federales.

Hay dos tipos de límites conocidos como estándares. Los estándares primarios lo protegen de sustancias que potencialmente podrían afectar su salud. Las normas establecen los Niveles Contaminantes Máximos (MCL, en inglés) que se permite del contaminante primario o secundario en el agua de beber. Los abastecedores de agua deben asegurarse de que la calidad de esta cumpla con los Niveles Contaminantes Máximos (o MCL, en inglés). No todas las sustancias tienen un Nivel Contaminante Máximo. El plomo y el cobre, por ejemplo, son regulados, por cierto nivel de acción. Si cualquier sustancia química sobrepasa el nivel de acción, se dará la necesidad de un proceso de tratamiento para rebajar los niveles en el agua de beber. Los abastecedores de agua deben cumplir con los Niveles Contaminantes Máximos para asegurar la calidad del agua.

Las Metas para la Salud Pública (MSP [o PHG, en inglés]) son establecidas por la agencia estatal de California-EPA. Las PHGs proveen más información con respecto a la calidad del agua, y son similares a los reglamentos federales nombrados Metas para Los Niveles de Contaminante Maximos (MNCM [o MCLG, en inglés]). Las PHGs y MCLGs son metas a nivel recomendable. Las PHG y MCLG son ambas definidas como los niveles de contaminantes en el agua potable por debajo de los niveles donde no se esperan riesgos a la salud y no enforzables. Ambos niveles PHG y MCLG son concentraciones de una sustancia en las que no hay riesgos a la salud aún conocidos.

¿CÓMO INTERPRETO MI INFORME DE CALIDAD DEL AGUA?

Aunque analizamos más de 100 sustancias, las normas nos requireren que reportemos solo aquellas que se encuentran en el agua. La primera columna en la tabla de la calidad de agua muestra la lista de las sustancias detectadas en el agua. La siguiente columna muestra la lista de la concentración promedio y el rango de concentraciones que se hallan encontrado en el agua que usted toma. En seguida están las listas del MCL, el PHG y el MCLG, si estos son apropiados. La última columna describe las probables fuentes u origen de las sustancias detectadas en el agua potable.

Para revisar la calidad de su agua de beber, compare los valores por encima del promedio, mínimos y máximos y el Nivel Contaminante Máximo. Revise todos los químicos que se encuentran por encima del Nivel Contaminante Máximo. Si los químicos sobrepasan el Nivel Contaminante Máximo no significa que sea detrimental a la salud de inmediato. Más

bien, se requiere que se realizen análisis más frecuentemente en el abastecimiento del agua por un corto período. Si los resultados muestran sobrepasar el MCL, el agua debe ser tratada para remover esa sustancia, o el abastecimiento de esta debe decomisionarse.

¿POR QUÉ HAY TANTA PUBLICIDAD SOBRE LA CALIDAD DEL AGUA POTABLE?

Las fuentes del agua potable (de ambas agua de la llave y agua embotellada) incluyen ríos, lagos, arroyos, lagunas, embalses, manantiales, y pozos. Al pasar el agua por la superficie de los suelos o por la tierra, se disuelven minerales que ocurren al natural, y en algunas ocasiones, material radioactivo, al igual que pueden levantar sustancias generadas por la presencia de animales o por actividades humanas.

Entre los contaminantes que pueden existir en las fuentes de agua se incluyen:

- Contaminantes microbiales como los virus y la bacteria, los que pueden venir de las plantas de tratamiento de aguas negras, de los sistemas sépticos, de las operaciones de ganadería, y de la vida salvaje.
- Contaminantes inorgánicos, como las sales y los metales, los cuales pueden ocurrir naturalmente o como resultado del desagüe pluvial, industrial, o de alcantarillado, producción de gas natural y petróleo, minas y agricultura.
- Pesticidas y herbicidas, los cuales pueden venir de varias fuentes tales como la agricultura, del desagüe pluvial, y de usos residenciales.
- Contaminantes de otras sustancias químicas orgánicas, incluyendo químicos orgánicos volátiles y sintéticos que son productos de procesos industriales y de la producción de petróleo, y que pueden provenir de las estaciones de gasolina, desagües pluviales urbanos, y aplicación agrícola y de sistemas sépticos.
- Contaminantes radioactivos, los cuales pueden ocurrir naturalmente o que pueden ser resultados de las actividades de la producción de gas natural y minería.

Para asegurarse que el agua potable sea saludable, la USEPA y el Bordo Estatal imponen reglamentos que limitan las cantidades de ciertos contaminantes en el agua que los sistemas públicos de agua proveen. Los reglamentos de la Bordo Estatal también establecen límites de contaminantes en el agua embotellada la cual debe proveer la misma protección a la salud pública.

Toda el agua potable, incluyendo el agua embotellada, puede contener cantidades pequeñas de ciertos contaminantes. La presencia de contaminantes no necesariamente indica que haya algún riesgo de salud. Para más información acerca de contaminantes y riesgos a la salud favor de llamar a la USEPA encargada de proteger el agua potable al teléfono (1-800-426-4791). Usted puede obtener más información sobre el agua potable al conectarse al Internet en los siguientes domicilios:

<http://www.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water/safe-drinking-water-information>
(el sitio Web de la USEPA)

www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking_water/certlic/drinkingwater/chemicalcontaminants.html
(sitio Web de Bordo Estatal)

Si presente, los niveles elevados del plomo pueden causar el problema de salud serio, sobre todo para mujeres embarazadas y chiquitos. El plomo en el agua potable es principalmente de materiales y componentes asociados con líneas de servicios y a casa fontanería. La Ciudad de Pico Rivera es responsable de proporcionar el agua potable de alta calidad, pero no puede controlar la variedad de materiales usados en la fontanería de componentes. Cuando su echar agua ha estado sentándose durante varias horas, usted puede minimizar el potencial para la exposición de plomo limpiando su grifo durante 30 segundos a 2 minutos antes de usar el agua para beber o cocinarse. Si usted está preocupado por el plomo en su echar agua, usted puede desear hacer probar su echar agua. La información en el plomo en el agua potable, probando métodos, y pasos que



usted puede tomar para minimizar la exposición está disponible de la Línea Directa de Agua Potable Segura o en www.epa.gov/lead

¿DEBERÍA TOMAR OTRAS PRECAUCIONES?

Algunas personas pueden ser más vulnerables a los contaminantes en el agua potable que el público en general. Las personas que tienen problemas inmunológicos, o sea esas personas que estén en tratamiento por medio de quimioterapia cancerosa, personas que tienen órganos transplantados, o personas con SIDA o desordenes inmunológicos, personas de edad avanzada, y los bebés que son particularmente suseptibles a ciertas infecciones. Estas personas deben de consultar a sus proveedores de salud médica. Las guías de la USEPA/Centros de Control de Enfermedades aconsejan cómo disminuir los riesgos para prevenir la infección de Cryptosporidium y otros contaminantes microbiales están disponibles por teléfono de la USEPA encargada de proteger el agua potable al teléfono 1-800-426-4791.

¿VALORACIÓN DE SU ABASTECIMIENTO DE AGUA

La Ciudad de Pico Rivera condujo una valoración de su abastecimiento de aguas subterráneas en el 2003. El abastecimiento de aguas subterráneas es considerado más vulnerable a estaciones de gasolina, al conocido plomo, a químicos/procesos petroleros/almacenaje, a el chapado/acabado/y fabricación de metal, a plásticos y procedimientos sintéticos, y a tintorerías. Una copia de la evaluación aprobada puede ser obtenida presentando una petición escrita al Ayuntamiento en 6615 Passons Blvd., Pico Rivera, CA 90660.

¿CÓMO PUEDO PARTICIPAR EN LAS DECISIONES SOBRE ASUNTOS ACERCA DEL AGUA QUE ME PUEDAN AFECTAR?

El público puede asistir a las reuniones del Concejo Municipal el segundo y cuarto martes de cada mes a las 6:00pm en 6615 Passons Blvd., Pico Rivera, CA 90660.

¿CÓMO ME PONGO EN CONTACTO CON MI AGENCIA DEL AGUA SI TENGO PREGUNTAS SOBRE LA CALIDAD DEL AGUA?

Si tiene preguntas específicas sobre la calidad del agua potable, por favor póngase en contacto con el Sr. Adrian Rodríguez al (562) 801-4462.

ALGUNAS EXTREMIDADES PROVECHOSAS DE LA CONSERVACIÓN DEL AGUA

- Arreglar los grifos que gotean en su hogar - excepto hasta 20 galones cada día por cada detenido de fugas.
- Guardar entre 15 y 50 galones por cada vez que el lavado sólo cargas completas de ropa.
- Ajuste sus regaderas de modo que el agua caiga en su césped / jardín, no la acera / calzada - excepto 500 galones por mes.
- Utilice pajote orgánico alrededor de las plantas para reducir la evaporación - guardar cientos de galones por año.
- Apagan el agua cepillando sus dientes y salvan 25 galones por mes.

Visítenos en la página de internet: www.pico-rivera.org

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Results are from the most recent testing performed in accordance with state and federal drinking water regulations. The State allows monitoring for some contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently. Some of the data, though representative, are more than one year old.

PRIMARY STANDARDS MONITORED AT THE SOURCE - MANDATED FOR PUBLIC HEALTH

ORGANIC CHEMICALS (µg/l)	Groundwater		Primary MCL	PHG (MCLG)	Major Sources in Drinking Water
	Average	Range			
	(b)	(b)			
INORGANICS SAMPLED 2023-2025 (i)					
Arsenic (µg/l)	0.62	ND-2.0	10	0.004 (a)	Erosion of natural deposits; glass/electronics production wastes; runoff
Barium (mg/l)	0.03	ND-0.09	1	2	Discharges of oil drilling wastes and metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride (mg/l)	0.33	0.28-0.36	2	1 (a)	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive that promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Hexvalent Chromium (ug/l) (l)	0.43	0.05-0.86	10.0	0.02	Discharge from electroplating factories, leather tanneries, wood preservation, chemical synthesis, refractory production, and textile manufacturing facilities; erosion of natural deposits
Nickel (ug/l)	0.52	ND-3.1	100	12	Erosion of natural deposits; discharge from metal factories
Nitrate (mg/l as N)	2.1	1.2-2.9	10	10 (a)	Runoff and leaching from fertilizer use/septic tanks/sewage, natural erosion

RADIOLOGICAL (pCi/l) SAMPLED 2022-2025				Major Sources in Drinking Water	
Gross Alpha	0.91	ND-3.56	15	(0)	Erosion of natural deposits
Radium 226	0.1	ND-0.48	5 (g)	0.05	Erosion of natural deposits
Radium 228	ND	ND	5 (g)	0.019	Erosion of natural deposits
Uranium	0.55	ND-1.7	20	0.43 (a)	Erosion of natural deposits

MRL (Minimum Reporting Limit- Value is 0.005 ug/l unless otherwise noted)					
SAMPLED IN 2025		Pre-Treatment Average	Range	Post-Treatment Average	Range
Major Sources in Drinking Water					
Perfluorobutanoic Acid (PFBA) (ng/l)	7.3	ND-14	7.3	ND-11	It is a byproduct used in industrial applications, stain-resistant fabrics, and paper food packaging.

Note: Pico Rivera Water Authority began ION EXCHANGE WATER TREATMENT in January 2025. Actual constituent levels entering the water distribution system are listed under POST-TREATMENT.

PFBA does not currently have a formal, state-specific NL in California, state investigative orders mandate testing for a wide range of PFAS, requiring utilities to report any confirmed detections.

Notification of PFOA/PFOS: PFOA and PFOS are man-made fluorinated organic chemicals that are part of a larger group of chemicals referred to as per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFASs). These substances have been synthesized for water and lipid resistance and have been used extensively in consumer products such as carpets, clothing, fabrics for furniture, paper packaging for food, and other materials (e.g., cookware) designed to be waterproof, stain-resistant or non-stick. In addition, they have been used in fire-retarding foam and various industrial processes. The U.S. EPA has not established enforceable drinking water standards, called maximum contaminant levels, for these chemicals.

In May 2016, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) issued a lifetime health advisory for PFOS and PFOA for drinking water, advising municipalities that they should notify their customers of the presence of levels over 70 parts per trillion (PPT) or nanograms per liter (ng/l) in community water supplies. In August 2019, State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water (DDW), revised the notification levels to 6.5 ppt for PFOS and 5.1 ppt for PFOA. The single health advisory response level (for the combined values of PFOS and PFOA) remained at 70 ppt. Perfluorobutane Sulfonic Acid [PFBS] has a notification level of 500 ng/L (ppt). PFHxS - Perfluorohexane Sulfonic Acid, is part of the group of Perfluorochemicals (PFCs). On February 6, 2020, DDW issued updated drinking water response levels of 10 ppt for PFOA and 40 ppt for PFOS based on a running four-quarter average.

Exposure to PFOA and PFOS over certain levels may result in adverse health effects, including developmental effects to fetuses during pregnancy or to breastfed infants (e.g., low birth weight, accelerated puberty, skeletal variations), cancer (e.g., testicular, kidney), liver effects (e.g., tissue damage), immune effects (e.g., antibody production and immunity), thyroid effects and other effects (e.g., cholesterol changes). PFHxS - Perfluorohexane Sulfonic Acid is part of the group of Perfluorochemicals (PFCs). PFHxS, PFOS and PFOA share similar chemical strucutre and uses (i.e, surface treatment agents for textiles, paper, and furniture, etc., for its excellent waterproofing and oil-resistance performance). PFHxS have been detected in endangered species and the human blood of the general population and the response level for PFHxS is 20 ng/L. For information on PFOA, PFOS, and other PFAS, including possible health outcomes, you may visit: <https://www.epa.gov/pfas>.

PRIMARY STANDARDS MONITORED IN THE DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM - MANDATED FOR PUBLIC HEALTH

MICROBIALS Positive %	Distribution System		Primary MCL	PHG (MCLG)	Major Sources in Drinking Water
	Average	Range			
Total Coliform Bacteria	0.2%	0-1.9%	5%	0	Naturally present in the environment
Fecal Coliform & <i>E.Coli</i> Bacteria	0	0	(h)	0	Human and animal fecal waste
No. of Acute Violations	0	0	0 (*)	0 (*)	(*) Acute Violations
DISINFECTION BY-PRODUCTS & DISINFECTION RESIDUALS (c)	Distribution System		Primary MCL or [MRDL] (d)	PHG or [MRDLG] (e)	Major Sources in Drinking Water
	Average	Range			
Total Trihalomethanes-TTHMS (µg/l)	11.7	1.2-9.4	80	-	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Haloacetic Acids (µg/l)	1.3	ND-1.4	60	-	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Free Chlorine Residual (mg/l)	0.67	0.25-1.78	0.2-2.0	[4] (d)	Drinking water disinfectant added for treatment
AT THE TAP PHYSICAL CONSTITUENTS	Distribution System		Action Level	PHG (MCLG)	36 Sites Sampled in 2025
	90%ile	*sites above AL			
Copper (mg/l)	0.72 (f)	1	1.3	0.3	Internal corrosion of household plumbing, erosion of natural deposits
Lead (µg/l)	0.37 (f)	0	15	0.2	Internal corrosion of household plumbing, industrial manufacturer discharges

ADDITIONAL CHEMICALS OF INTEREST

SAMPLED 2023-25	Groundwater	
	Average	Range
Alkalinity, Total (mg/l)	131.3	96-180
Calcium (mg/l)	46.9	25.8-67.2
Magnesium (mg/l)	9.8	5.9-13.9
pH (standard unit)	7.1	6.5-7.7
Potassium (mg/l)	3.2	2.4-4.3
Sodium (mg/l)	47	32-63
Total Hardness (mg/l)	157.6	88.7-212
Total Organic Carbon	0.53	0.32-0.73

FOOTNOTES

(a) California Public Health Goal (PHG). Other advisory levels listed in this report are federal Maximum Contaminant Level Goals (MCLGs). (b) Over 50 regulated and unregulated organic chemicals were analyzed. None were detected at or above the reporting limit in groundwater or surface water sources. (c) Running annual average used to calculate average, range, and MCL compliance. (d) Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL). (e) Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG). (f) 90th percentile from the most recent sampling at selected customer taps. (g) Combined Radium 226+Radium 228 has a Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) of 5 pCi/L. (h) A routine sample and a repeat sample are total coliform positive, and one of these is also fecal coliform or E. coli positive. (i) Indicates dates sampled for groundwater sources only. (j) PFOA exposures resulted in increased liver weight and cancer in laboratory animals. (k) PFOS exposures resulted in immune suppression and cancer in laboratory animals. (l) Hexavalent Chromium (CR-6) was detected in several wells in 2025. Pursuant to the Detection Limits for Purposes of Reporting (DLRs), the DLR for Hexavalent Chromium is 0.0001 mg/L or 0.1 ug/L. The City of Pico Rivera monitors for Hexavalent Chromium and has not exceeded the annual running average of 10 ug/l.

DEFINITIONS

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. (b) **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. (b) **Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL):** The level of a disinfectant allowed in water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants. (b) **Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG):** The level of a disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLG's do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants. (b) **Notification Level (NL):** The level at which notification of the public water system governing body is required. A health-based advisory level for an unregulated contaminant. (b) **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. (b) **Treatment Technique (TT):** A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water. (b) **Regulatory Action Level (AL):** The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow. (b) **Primary Drinking Water Standard (PDWS):** MCLs and MRDLs for contaminants that affect health along with their monitoring and reporting requirements, and water treatment requirements. (b) **Secondary Water Standard (SDWS):** MCLs and MRDLs for contaminants that affect the aesthetic qualities, such as taste, odor, or appearance of the drinking water. Contaminants with SDWS's do not affect the health at the MCL levels. (b) **Variances & Exemptions:** Department permission to exceed an MCL or not comply with a treatment technique under certain conditions.

SECONDARY STANDARDS MONITORED AT THE SOURCE - FOR AESTHETIC PURPOSES

SAMPLED 2023-25	Groundwater		Secondary MCL	Major Sources in Drinking Water
	Average	Range		
Aggressiveness index (corrosivity)	11.2	10.6-12.1	Non-corrosive	Natural/industrially-influenced balance of hydrogen/carbon/oxygen in water
Chloride (mg/l)	38.1	20-73	500	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits, seawater influence
Specific Conductance (uS/cm)	559.1	320-1200	1600	Substances that form ions when in water, seawater influence
Iron (µg/l)	22	ND-78	300	Municipal and industrial waste discharges and leaching from natural deposits. Well No. 8 had high levels of Iron and
Manganese (µg/l)	0.55	ND-3.3	50	Manganese, but the well did not pump any water into the distribution system and has been taken out of service.
Odor (threshold odor number)	ND	ND	3	Naturally-occurring organic materials
Sulfate (mg/l)	54.3	26-91	500	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits, industrial wastes
Total Dissolved Solids (mg/l)	313.6	200-580	1000	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits
Turbidity (NTU)	0.2	ND-0.5	5	Soil runoff

OTHER PARAMETERS MONITORED IN THE DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM - FOR AESTHETIC PURPOSES

GENERAL PHYSICAL CONSTITUENTS	Distribution System		Secondary MCL	PHG or (MCLG)	Major Sources in Drinking Water
	Average	Range			
Color (color units)	0	0	15	-	Naturally-occurring organic materials
Odor (threshold odor number)	0	0	3	-	Naturally-occurring organic materials
Turbidity (NTU)	0.1	ND-0.55	TT	-	Soil runoff

ABBREVIATIONS

< = less than (b) **pCi/L** = picoCuries per liter (b) **mg/l** = milligrams per liter or parts per million (equivalent to 1 drop in 42 gallons) (b) **ND** = constituent not detected at the reporting limit (b) **ng/l** = nanograms per liter or parts per trillion (equivalent to 1 drop in 42,000,000 gallons) (b) **NTU** = nephelometric turbidity units (b) **SI** = Saturation Index (b) **uS/cm** = microSiemens per centimeter (b) **µg/l** = micrograms per liter or parts per billion (equivalent to 1 drop in 42,000 gallons) (b) **NA** = constituent not analyzed