### 2020 Consumer Confidence Report

# **Water System Information**

Water System Name: Whispering Pines Apartments

Report Date: 8/20/2021

Type of Water Source(s) in Use: Ground Well

Name and General Location of Source(s): Well #1 (CA2210921 001-001) Well #6 (CA2210921 008 008)

Well # 5 Standby(CA2210921 006 006)

**Drinking Water Source Assessment Information**: Well #1 is considered vulnerable to the following activities not associated with any detected contaminants: septic Systems and sewer collections Systems.

Time and Place of Regularly Scheduled Board Meetings for Public Participation

For More Information, Contact: Barry Brouillette 209-628-8011

### **About This Report**

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 to December 31, 2020 and may include earlier monitoring data.

#### Terms Used in This Report

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.

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).

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 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.

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.

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

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.

Variances and Exemptions: Permissions from the State Water Resources Control Board (State Board) to exceed an MCL or not comply with a treatment technique under certain conditions.

ND: not detectable at testing limit

ppm: parts per million or milligrams per liter (mg/L)

ppb: parts per billion or micrograms per liter (µg/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)

# Sources of Drinking Water and Contaminants that May Be Present in Source 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, 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.

# Regulation of Drinking Water and Bottled Water Quality

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the U.S. EPA and the State Board prescribe regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The U.S. Food and Drug

Administration regulations and California law also establish limits for contaminants in bottled water that provide the same protection for public health.

# **About Your Drinking Water Quality**

## **Drinking Water Contaminants Detected**

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 (complete if bacteria detected)	Highest No. of Detections	No. of Months in Violation	MCL	MCLG	Typical Source of Bacteria
Total Coliform Bacteria (state Total Coliform Rule)	(In a month)	0	1 positive monthly sample	0	Naturally present in the environment
Fecal Coliform or <i>E. coli</i> (state Total Coliform Rule)	(In the year)	0	A routine sample and a repeat sample are total coliform positive, and one of these is also fecal coliform or <i>E. coli</i> positive		Human and animal fecal waste
E. coli (federal Revised Total Coliform Rule)	(In the year) 1/1/2020- 12/31/2020	0	(b)	0	Human and animal fecal waste

<sup>(</sup>a) Two or more positive monthly samples is a violation of the MCL

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 <sup>th</sup> Percentile Level Detected	No. Sites Exceed- ing AL	AL	PHG	No. of Schools Request- ing Lead Sampling	Typical Source of Contaminant
Lead (ppb)	9/20/17	5	0.0	0	15	0.2	N/A	Internal corrosion of household water plumbing systems; discharges from

<sup>(</sup>b) Routine and repeat samples are total coliform-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 sample for *E. coli*.

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								industrial manufacturers; erosion of natural deposits
Copper (ppm)	9/20/17	5	.865	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)	12/29/20	6.8	6.6-7.0	None	None	Salt present in the water and is generally naturally occurring
Hardness (ppm)	3/28/18	130	110-150	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 Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections	MCL [MRDL]	PHG (MCLG) [MRDLG]	Typical Source of Contaminant
Arsenic – ug/L	12/29/20	1.75	1.5-2.	10	.004	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; glass and electronics production wastes
Nitrate- mg/L	12/29/20	0	0	10	10	Runoff and leaching from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks and sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Barium- mg/L	12/29/20	.6	1-1.2	1	2	Discharge of oil drilling wastes and from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
Aluminum- mg/L	12/29/20	2.8	0-5.6	1	.6	Erosion of natural deposits; residue from some surface water treatment
Chromium – ug/L	12/29/20	0	0	50	(100)	Discharge from steel and pulp mills and chrome plating; erosion of natural deposits
Chlorine – mg/L	1/2020- 12/2020	1-2 ppm	N/A	4	4	Some people who use water containing chlorine well in excess of the NRDL count experience irritating effects to their eyes ans nose. Some people who drink water containing chlorine well in excess of the NRDL could experience stomach discomfort

Table 5. Detection of Contaminants with a Secondary Drinking Water Standard

Chemical or Constituent (and reporting units)	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections	SMCL	PHG (MCLG)	Typical Source of Contaminant
Copper – mg/L	12/29/17	19	19	1.0		Internal corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
Magnesium – ug/L	12/29/20	9.3	7.6-11			
Sulfate – mg/L	12/29/20	7.1	7-7.3	500		Runoff/leeching from natural deposits; industrial wastes

Chemical or Constituent (and reporting units)	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections	SMCL	PHG (MCLG)	Typical Source of Contaminant
Chloride – mg/L	12/29/20	2.6	2-3.3	500		Runoff/leeching from natural deposits; seawater influence
Iron ug/L	12/29/20	0	0	300		Leeching from natural deposits; industrial wastes
Zinc – mg/L	12/29/20	95	0-190	5.0		Runoff/leeching from natural deposits; industrial wastes
Turbidity-units	12/29/20	.13	.115	5		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

# 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: 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, <a href="Whispering Pines Apartments">Whispering Pines Apartments</a> 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 <a href="http://www.epa.gov/lead">http://www.epa.gov/lead</a>.

# Summary Information for Violation of a MCL, MRDL, AL, TT, or Monitoring and Reporting Requirement

Violation: Lead & Copper Monitoring Violation for 2020

Explanation: During 2020 did not complete all monitoring for lead and copper during required months

Duration: Every 3 years

Actions Taken to Correct the Violation: Re-sampling during the months of June, July or August 2021

Health Effects Language: Infants and children who drink water containing lead in excess of the action level may experience delays in their physical or mental development. Children may show slight deficits in attention span and learning abilities. Adults who drink this water over many years may develop kidney problems or high blood pressure.

# **APPENDIX F: Certification Form (Suggested Format)**

# **Consumer Confidence Report Certification Form**

(to be submitted with a copy of the CCR)

(To certify electronic delivery of the CCR, use the certification form on the State Water Board's website at

http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/drinking\_water/certlic/drinkingwater/CCR.shtml)

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	<ul><li>Delivery to community organizations (attach a list of organizations)</li><li>Other (attach a list of other methods used)</li></ul>
	For systems serving at least 100,000 persons: Posted CCR on a publicly-accessible internet site at the following address: www
	For investor-owned utilities: Delivered the CCR to the California Public Utilities Commission
Th	is form is provided as a convenience for use to meet the certification requirement of the California Code of Regulations, section 64483(c).