2019 Consumer Confidence Report

Water System Name: APPLE VALLEY HEIGHTS CWD Report Date: 6/30/2020

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, 2019 and may include earlier monitoring data.

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua para beber. Favor de comunicarse APPLE VALLEY HEIGHTS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT a 9429 CERRA VISTA ST., APPLE VALLEY, CA 92308, 760-247-733 para asistirlo en español.

这份报告含有关于您的饮用水的重要讯息。请用以下地址和电话联系 APPLE VALLEY HEIGHTS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT 以获得中文的帮助: 9429 CERRA VISTA ST., APPLE VALLEY, CA 92308, 760-247-7330

Ang pag-uulat na ito ay naglalaman ng mahalagang impormasyon tungkol sa inyong inuming tubig. Mangyaring makipag-ugnayan sa *APPLE VALLEY HEIGHTS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT* o tumawag sa *9429 CERRA VISTA ST.*, *APPLE VALLEY*, *CA 92308*, *760-247-7330* para matulungan sa wikang Tagalog.

Báo cáo này chứa thông tin quan trọng về nước uống của bạn. Xin vui lòng liên hệ APPLE VALLEY HEIGHTS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT tại 9429 CERRA VISTA ST., APPLE VALLEY, CA 92308, 760-247-7330 để được hỗ trợ giúp bằng tiếng Việt.

Tsab ntawv no muaj cov ntsiab lus tseem ceeb txog koj cov dej haus. Thov hu rau APPLE VALLEY HEIGHTS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT ntawm 9429 CERRA VISTA ST., APPLE VALLEY, CA 92308, 760-247-7330 rau kev pab hauv lus Askiv.

Type of water source(s) in use:

Ground Water

Name & general location of source(s):

Well #3 and Well #4 are located in the Mojave adjudicated basin (Alto). North of the San Bernardino mountains, in the southern unincorporated of Apple Valley.

Drinking Water Source Assessment information:

Source Water Assessments were conducted in 2003-2019 Well #3 and Well #4 are most vulnerable to railroad corridors and water supply. No chemical was detected. You may contact the State Water Board at their office (909) 383-4328 for more information.

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

Meeting are the third Tuesday of every month at 6pm at the district office, 9429 Cerra Vista St., Apple Valley, CA 92308

For more information, contact:

Matthew Patterson in our District office. Phone: (760) 247-7330

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.

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: Permissions from the State Water Resources Control Board (State Board) 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

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.

total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system on multiple occasions.

ND: not detectable at testing limit

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

ppb: parts per billion or micrograms per liter (μ 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 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.

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)	1	0	2 positive monthly sample	0	Naturally present in the environment		
Fecal Coliform or <i>E. coli</i> (state Total Coliform Rule)	0	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)	0	0	(a)	0	Human and animal fecal waste		

(a) 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*.

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)	6-8-19 6-25-19 6-26-19 6-27-19 6-29-19 7-2-19	10	ND	0	15	0.2	Not applicable	Internal corrosion of household water plumbing systems; discharges from industrial manufacturers; erosion of natural deposits
Copper (ppm)	6-8-19 6-25-19 6-26-19 6-27-19 6-29-19 7-2-19	10	.54	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 MCL	PHG (MCLG)	Typical Source of Contaminant	
Sodium (ppm)	5-21-19	110	110	None	None	Salt present in the water and is generally naturally occurring	
Hardness (ppm)	5-21-19	290	N/A	None	None	Sum of polyvalent cations present in the water, generally magnesium and calcium, and are usually naturally occurring	
TABLE 4 – DET	ECTION O	F CONTAMINA	ANTS 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	
NITRATE (AS N) (ppm)	5-09-19 7-16-19	.735	.5790	10	10	Runoff and leaching from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks and sewage; erosion of natural deposits	
FLUORIDE (ppm)	5-21-19	.10	N/A	2	1	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories	
RADIUM 228 (pCi/l)	6-24-19	.57	N/A	5	0.019	Erosion of natural deposits	
1,2,3- TRICHLOROPROPANE	2-12-19	ND	N/A	5	.7	Discharge from industrial and agricultural chemical factories; leaching from hazardous waste sites; used as cleaning and	
(ng/L)	4-17-19 7-16-19					maintenance solvent, paint and varnish remover, and cleaning and degreasing agent; byproduct during the production of other compounds and pesticides	
ETHYLENE DIBROMIDE (EDB) (ng/L)	4/17/2019	ND	N/A	50	10	Discharge from petroleum refineries; underground gas tank leaks; banned nematocide that may still be present in soils due to runoff and leaching from grain and fruit crops	
DIBROMOCHLOROPR OPANE (DBCP) (ng/L)	4-17-19	ND	N/A	200	1.7	Banned nematocide that may still be present in soils due to runoff/leaching from former use on soybeans, cotton, vineyards, tomatoes, and tree fruit	

TABLE 5 – DETECTION OF CONTAMINANTS WITH A <u>SECONDARY</u> DRINKING WATER STANDARD							
Chemical or Constituent (and reporting units)	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections	SMCL	PHG (MCLG)	Typical Source of Contaminant	
CHLORIDE (ppm)	5/21/2019	28	N/A	500		Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; seawater influence	
SULFATE (ppm)	5-21-20	460	N/A	500		Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; seawater influence	
TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS (PPM)	5/21/2019	730	N/A	1000		Runoff/leaching from natural deposits	
SPECIFIC CONDUCTANCE (uS/cm)	5-21-19	1100	N/A	1600		Substances that form ions when in water; seawater influence	
TABLE 6 – DETECTION OF UNREGULATED CONTAMINANTS							
Chemical or Constituent (and reporting units)	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections	Notification Level		Health Effects Language	
BORON (ppm)	5/21/2019	1.3	N/A	1.0		The most prevalent sources of boron in drinking water are from the leaching of rocks and soils, wastewater, and fertilizers/pesticides	

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. APPLE VALLEY HEIGHTS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT 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.