

**Consumer Confidence Report  
Certification Form**  
*(To be submitted with a copy of the CCR)*

Water System Name: Nipomo Community Services District

Water System Number: 4010026

The water system named above hereby certifies that its Consumer Confidence Report was distributed on 6/25/2018 (date) to customers (and appropriate notices of availability have been given). Further, the system certifies that the information contained in the report is correct and consistent with the compliance monitoring data previously submitted to the State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water (DDW).

Certified by: Name: Peter V. Sevcik

Signature: 

Title: Director of Engineering and Operations

Phone Number: ( 805 ) 929-1133 Date: 6/28/2018

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## 2017 CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT

### Annual Tests Show Nipomo's Water Meets Quality Standards

This report contains important information regarding your drinking water provided by the Nipomo Community Services District during 2017. If needed, you may choose to translate it or speak with someone who understands the report.

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### High Quality Water Delivered to Your Tap

Last year, Nipomo Community Services District (District) tap water met all USEPA and State drinking water health standards. The District vigilantly safeguards its water supplies and we are proud to report that our system did not violate a maximum contaminant level or any other water quality standard. This brochure is a snapshot of last year's water quality. Included are details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to State standards. We are committed to providing you with information because informed customers are our best allies.



### Questions

For more information about this report, or for any questions relating to your drinking water, please call (805) 929-1133 and ask for General Manager, Mario Iglesias, or visit our website at [www.ncsd.ca.gov](http://www.ncsd.ca.gov).



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**District General Manager:** Mario Iglesias

# Results of 2017 Drinking Water Quality Tests

The tables on the next page list all of the drinking water contaminants that were detected during the most recent sampling. The presence of contaminants in the water does not necessarily indicate the water poses a health risk. State and Federal regulations require us to monitor for certain contaminants less frequently than once per year because the concentrations of those contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year.

## TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

### 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.

**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 health.

### Primary Drinking Water Standards

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

### Secondary Drinking Water Standards

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

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

**Unregulated:** Unregulated contaminant monitoring helps U.S. EPA and the State Water Resources Control Board to determine where certain contaminants occur and whether the contaminants need to be regulated.

**LRAA:** Locational Running Annual Average

**NA:** Not Applicable

**ND:** Not Detected

**NL:** Notification Level

**NTU:** Nephelometric Turbidity Units

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

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

**µS/cm:** microsiemens per centimeter (unit of specific conductance of water)

## NOTES

**(a) Aluminum** also has a Secondary MCL of 200 ppb.

**(b) Arsenic** (10 ppb) is based on a running 1-year average. While your drinking water meets the federal and state standard for arsenic, it does contain low levels of arsenic. The arsenic standard balances the current understanding of arsenic's possible health effects against the costs of removing arsenic from drinking water. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency continues to research the health effects of low levels of arsenic, which is a mineral known to cause cancer in humans at high concentrations and is linked to other health effects such as skin damage and circulatory problems.

**(c) Fluoride** is added to the City of Santa Maria water to help prevent cavities. Target fluoride levels are set by State Water Resources Control Board Division of Drinking Water.

**(d) Nitrate:** Nitrate in drinking water at levels above 10 mg/L is a health risk for infants of less than six months of age. Such nitrate levels in drinking water can interfere with the capacity of the infant's blood to carry oxygen, resulting in a serious illness; symp-

toms include shortness of breath and blueness of the skin. Nitrate levels above 10 mg/L may also affect the ability of the blood to carry oxygen in other individuals, such as pregnant women and those with certain specific enzyme deficiencies. If you are caring for an infant, or you are pregnant, you should ask advice from your health care provider.

### e) City of Santa Maria - Total coliform

**MCL:** No more than 5% of monthly samples may be Total Coliform positive.

**NCSD - Total coliform MCL:** No more than 1 monthly sample may be Total Coliform positive.

**(f)** Compliance based on the locational running annual average (LRAA) of distribution system samples.

**g) Turbidity:** Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of the water. We monitor it because it is a good indicator of water quality. High turbidity can hinder the effectiveness of disinfectants.

**(h)** All samples were below action levels.

**(i) Lead:** If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especial-

ly for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with the service lines and home plumbing. *Nipomo Community Services 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. 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 or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>. 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/safewater/lead>.

In 2017, three schools requested lead sampling.

**(j)** Water quality information from individual wells includes samples collected from 2017 and previous years as noted.



| PRIMARY DRINKING WATER STANDARDS - MANDATORY HEALTH-RELATED STANDARDS |       |           |            |                                     |         |      |                       |         |      |                                                                |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|-----------|------------|-------------------------------------|---------|------|-----------------------|---------|------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| Parameter                                                             | Units | State MCL | PHG (MCLG) | PURCHASED CITY OF SANTA MARIA WATER |         |      | LOCAL GROUNDWATER (j) |         |      | MAJOR SOURCES                                                  |
|                                                                       |       |           |            | RANGE                               | AVERAGE | YEAR | RANGE                 | AVERAGE | YEAR |                                                                |
| Aluminum (a)                                                          | ppb   | 1000      | 600        | ND-110                              | 66      | 2017 | NA                    | NA      | 2017 | Residue from water treatment; erosion of natural deposits.     |
| Arsenic (b)                                                           | ppb   | 10        | 0.004      | NA                                  | NA      | 2017 | 3-5                   | 4.3     | 2017 | Residue from water treatment; erosion of natural deposits.     |
| Hexavalent Chromium                                                   | ppb   | 10        | 0.02       | NA                                  | NA      | 2017 | ND-1.2                | .87     | 2017 | Erosion of natural deposits; industrial wastes.                |
| Fluoride (c)                                                          | ppm   | 2         | 1          | .15-1.26                            | NA      | 2017 | ND                    | ND      | 2017 | Erosion of natural deposits; additive to promote strong teeth. |
| Nitrate as N (d)                                                      | ppm   | 10        | 10         | <0.40-6.5                           | 1.2     | 2017 | 1.4-10.2              | 5.1     | 2017 | Leaching from fertilizers; erosion of natural deposits.        |
| Selenium                                                              | ppb   | 50        | 30         | NA                                  | NA      | 2017 | ND-11                 | 5       | 2017 | Erosion of natural deposits; industrial wastes.                |
| Gross Alpha                                                           | pCi/L | 15        | (0)        | NA                                  | NA      | 2017 | 2.5-11.2              | 5.5     | 2017 | Erosion of natural deposits.                                   |
| Uranium                                                               | pCi/L | 20        | 0.43       | NA                                  | NA      | 2017 | ND-4.8                | 4.8     | 2017 | Erosion of natural deposits.                                   |

#### DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM MONITORING

|                             |     |             |             |           |      |      |          |       |      |                                           |
|-----------------------------|-----|-------------|-------------|-----------|------|------|----------|-------|------|-------------------------------------------|
| Total Chlorine Residual     | ppm | MRDL = 4.0  | MRDLG = 4.0 | 0.4-2.9   | 2.2  | 2017 | .74-3.48 | 1.9   | 2017 | Measure of the disinfection of the water. |
| Total Coliform Bacteria (e) | NA  | See note(c) | (0)         | NA        | 0.0% | 2017 | 0        | 0     | 2017 | Naturally present in the environment.     |
| Total Trihalomethanes (f)   | ppb | 80          | NA          | 18.5-44.5 | 30.6 | 2017 | ND-61.0  | 30.5  | 2017 | Byproduct of drinking water chlorination. |
| Haloacetic Acids (f)        | ppb | 60          | NA          | 7.4-19.9  | 13.5 | 2017 | ND-24    | 15.75 | 2017 | Byproduct of drinking water chlorination. |

| SECONDARY DRINKING WATER STANDARDS - AESTHETIC STANDARDS |       |      |    |         |     |      |          |       |      |                                                              |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-------|------|----|---------|-----|------|----------|-------|------|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| Chloride                                                 | ppm   | 500  | NA | 11-130  | 56  | 2017 | 48-57    | 53.5  | 2017 | Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; sea-water influence.  |
| Iron                                                     | ppb   | 300  | NA | NA      | NA  | 2017 | ND-520   | 74    | 2017 | Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes.    |
| Odor Threshold                                           | Units | 3    | NA | 1-2     | 1.7 | 2017 | ND       | ND    | 2017 | Naturally-occurring organic materials.                       |
| Specific Conductance                                     | µS/cm | 1600 | NA | 150-390 | 280 | 2017 | 662-1000 | 847.3 | 2017 | Substances that form ions when in water; seawater influence. |
| Sulfate                                                  | ppm   | 500  | NA | 18-52   | 35  | 2017 | 139-283  | 212.3 | 2017 | Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes.    |
| Total Dissolved Solids                                   | ppm   | 1000 | NA | 83-370  | 191 | 2017 | 420-680  | 557.5 | 2017 | Runoff/leaching from natural deposits.                       |
| Turbidity (g)                                            | NTU   | 5    | NA | .04-.67 | .21 | 2017 | 0.3-0.8  | 0.5   | 2017 | Soil runoff.                                                 |

| ADDITIONAL PARAMETERS (UNREGULATED)     |          |           |    |         |     |      |             |       |      |                                                                   |
|-----------------------------------------|----------|-----------|----|---------|-----|------|-------------|-------|------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Alkalinity (Total) as CaCO <sub>3</sub> | ppm      | NA        | NA | 34-156  | 46  | 2017 | 100-160     | 133   | 2017 | Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; sea-water influence.       |
| Boron                                   | ppb      | NL = 1000 | NA | 120-250 | 183 | 2017 | ND-0.1      | 0.1   | 2017 | Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; sea-water influence.       |
| Calcium                                 | ppm      | NA        | NA | 9-22    | 15  | 2017 | 51-90       | 71    | 2017 | Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; sea-water influence.       |
| Hardness (Total) as CaCO <sub>3</sub>   | ppm      | NA        | NA | 34-120  | 72  | 2017 | 218-393     | 310   | 2017 | Leaching from natural deposits.                                   |
| Magnesium                               | ppm      | NA        | NA | 2.7-16  | 8.4 | 2017 | 22-41       | 33    | 2017 | Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; sea-water influence.       |
| pH                                      | pH units | NA        | NA | 7.3-8.9 | 8.0 | 2017 | 7.0-7.7     | 7.4   | 2017 | Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; sea-water influence.       |
| Potassium                               | ppm      | NA        | NA | 1.3-4.1 | 2.5 | 2017 | NA          | NA    | 2016 | Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; sea-water influence.       |
| Sodium                                  | ppm      | NA        | NA | 17-87   | 44  | 2017 | 51 - 60     | 54    | 2017 | Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; sea-water influence.       |
| Vanadium                                | ppb      | NL = 50   | NA | 3.3-4.7 | 3.8 | 2017 | 0.011-0.012 | 0.012 | 2017 | Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; combustion of fossil fuels |

| LEAD AND COPPER SAMPLING PROGRAM - SAMPLING OCCURRED IN SEPTEMBER 2015 |       |                   |                                |                              |     |     |                                                         |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|-----|-----|---------------------------------------------------------|
| Parameter                                                              | Units | Samples Collected | 90th Percentile Level Detected | Number of Sites Exceeding AL | AL  | PHG | MAJOR SOURCES                                           |
| Copper (h)                                                             | ppm   | 30                | .37                            | 0                            | 1.3 | 0.3 | Plumbing system corrosion; erosion of natural deposits. |
| Lead (h)(i)                                                            | ppb   | 30                | 2.4                            | 0                            | 15  | 0.2 | Plumbing system corrosion; erosion of natural deposits. |

# Our Water Quality Professionals Provide Around-the-Clock Service

Our water quality professionals maintain, treat, and test the water system ensuring quality water is delivered to your home or business. On-call personnel are available after hours 7 days a week.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Sources of drinking water (both tap and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, spring, 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, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.

**Inorganic contaminants**, such as salts and metals, which 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.

**Radioactive contaminants**, that can be naturally-occurring or the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

**Organic chemical contaminants**, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, that are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, agricultural application and septic systems.

## ENSURING WATER SAFETY

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and the California 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.

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 (800-426-4791).

## PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

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 provider. USEPA/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: (800-426-4791).

## YOUR NCSD WATER

The Nipomo Community Services District is committed to producing the highest quality drinking water from two sources of supply: District water wells located in the Nipomo Mesa, and City of Santa Maria water delivered to the District via the Nipomo Supplemental Water Project interconnect. City of Santa Maria Water is a blend of groundwater and surface water. In 2017, the District received about 48 percent of its water from the City of Santa Maria.

All water is disinfected and introduced to the District water distribution system. The District's water distribution system includes over ninety miles of piping and 5 storage tanks with 4 million gallons of combined capacity. Ground elevation relative to the tanks controls the water pressure throughout the system.

## WATER SOURCE ASSESSMENT AND SECURITY

An assessment of the drinking water sources for the Nipomo Community Services District was completed in 2001. The sources are considered most vulnerable to the following activities associated with contaminants detected in the water supply: historic gas stations, low and high density septic systems and wastewater treatment plants. A copy of the complete assessment is available at the District office or from SWRCB, DDW, 1180 Eugenia PL, Suite 200, Carpinteria, CA 93013, 1-805-566-1326.

The District has implemented security systems to protect the distribution and storage of the drinking water. These measures are part of our ongoing operation and ensure the safe treatment and delivery of your drinking water.

## STAY CONNECTED

NCSD Regular Board meetings are open to the public. Meetings take place every second and fourth Wednesday at 9:00 AM in the NCSD Board Room, 148 S Wilson St, Nipomo.

If you have questions regarding the information in this report, please call the District at 929-1133 Monday - Friday 8AM - 4:30PM or email [info@ncsd.ca.gov](mailto:info@ncsd.ca.gov)



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