

# **2022 Consumer Confidence Report**

## **Water System Information**

Water System Name: Summit Mutual Water Company

Report Date: June 20, 2023

Type of Water Source(s) in Use: Surface Water

Name and General Location of Source(s): Medlen Dam on Laurel Creek - Raw water intake located on Redwood Lodge Road.

Drinking Water Source Assessment Information: The water system is classified as a Surface water system and has been assessed as "Non Vulnerable" to any constituent outside this classification.

Time and Place of Regularly Scheduled Board Meetings for Public Participation: 1st Tuesday of each month, 24050 Summit Woods Drive.

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## **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, 2022, and may include earlier monitoring data.

# Importance of This Report Statement in Five Non-English Languages (Spanish, Mandarin, Tagalog, Vietnamese, and Hmong)

Language in Spanish: Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua para beber. Favor de comunicarse Summit Mutual Water Company a 408-823-6729 para asistirlo en español.

Language in Mandarin: 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 Summit Mutual Water Company以获得中文的帮助:408-823-6729.

Language in Tagalog: Ang pag-uulat na ito ay naglalaman ng mahalagang impormasyon tungkol sa inyong inuming tubig. Mangyaring makipag-ugnayan sa Summit Mutual Water Company o tumawag sa 408-823-6729 para matulungan sa wikang Tagalog.

Language in Vietnamese: Báo cáo này chứa thông tin quan trọng về nước uống của bạn. Xin vui lòng liên hệ Summit Mutual Water Company tại 408-823-6729 để được hỗ trợ giúp bằng tiếng Việt.

Language in Hmong: Tsab ntawv no muaj cov ntsiab lus tseem ceeb txog koj cov dej haus. Thov hu rau Summit Mutual Water Company ntawm 408-823-6729 rau kev pab hauv lus Askiv.



## **Terms Used in This Report**

Term	Definition
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 <i>E. coli</i> 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)



Term	Definition			
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, 6, and 8 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

Complete if bacteria are detected.

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 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

Complete if lead or copper is detected in the last sample set.

Lead and Copper	Sample Date	No. of Samples Collected	90 <sup>th</sup> Percentile Level Detected	No. Sites Exceeding AL	AL	PHG	Typical Source of Contaminant
Lead (ppb)	7/7/2022	5	ND	0	15	0.2	Internal corrosion of household water plumbing systems; discharges from industrial manufacturers; erosion of natural deposits



Lead and Copper	Sample Date	No. of Samples Collected	90 <sup>th</sup> Percentile Level Detected	No. Sites Exceeding AL	AL	PHG	Typical Source of Contaminant
Copper (ppm)	7/7/2022	5	ND	0	1.3	0.3	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)	11/3/2021	63 mg/L	-	-	-	Salt present in the water and is generally naturally occurring
Hardness (ppm)	11/3/2021	390 mg/L	-	-	-	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
Fluoride	11/3/2021	0.390 mg/L	-	2 mg/L	1 mg/L	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive that promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
TTHM	8/4/2022 11/16/2022 11/28/2022	125 ug/L	110 – 160 ug/L	80 ug/L		Byproduct of drinking water disinfection
HAA5	2/1/2022 5/2/2022 8/4/2022 11/16/2022	14.36 ug/L	3.9 – 18.4 ug/L	60 ug/L		Byproduct of drinking water disinfection
Bromate	7/8/2022 8/4/2022 9/7/2022 12/7/2022	28 ug/L	7.8 – 44 ug/L	10 ug/L		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	SMCL	PHG (MCLG)	Typical Source of Contaminant
Alkalinity, Bicarbonate	11/3/2021	200 mg/L	-	-	-	Erosion of natural deposits
Calcium	11/3/2021	110 mg/L	-	-	-	Erosion of natural deposits
Chloride	11/3/2021	58 mg/L	1	500 mg/L	-	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; seawater influence
Color	11/3/2021	2	-	15	-	Naturally occurring organic materials



Magnesium	11/3/2021	26 mg/L	-	-	-	Erosion of natural deposits
рН	10/26/2022	7.22	-	-	1	Erosion of natural deposits
Conductivity	11/3/2021	920 uS/cm	-	1600 uS/cm	-	Substances that form ions when in water; seawater influence
Sulfate	11/3/2021	280 mg/L	-	500 mg/L	-	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes
TDS	11/3/2021	666 mg/L	-	1000 mg/L	-	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits
Turbidity	11/16/2022	0.320 NTU	-	5 NTU	-	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
-	-	-	-	-	-

#### 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. Summit Mutual Water Company 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>.

Additional Special Language for Nitrate, Arsenic, Lead, Radon, and Cryptosporidium: N/A

State Revised Total Coliform Rule (RTCR): N/A

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

Table 7. Violation of a MCL, MRDL, AL, TT or Monitoring Reporting Requirement

Violation	Explanation	Duration	Actions Taken to Correct Violation	Health Effects Language
Bromate MCL exceedance	Bromate is a byproduct of drinking water disinfection.	July – Nov 2022	Correction of ozone dose and filter flow to improve effluent quality and reduce bromate formation during oxidation.	Some people who drink water containing bromate in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
TTHM MCL exceedance	TTHMs are byproducts of drinking water disinfection.	Feb – Nov 2022	Reduction of chlorine residual in system, water storage management, and tighter effluent turbidity monitoring.	Some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience liver, kidney, or central nervous system problems, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Total Coliform monitoring violation	During 2021-2022, we collected routine samples at the incorrect address as specified in the State approved sampling plan for indicator coliform and E. coli bacteria. Even though this failure was not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what you should do, what happened, and	2021 - 2022	A new Bacteriological Site Sampling Plan was submitted and approved by the State Water Resources Control Board.	E. coli are bacteria whose presence indicates that the water may be contaminated with human or animal wastes. Human pathogens in these wastes can cause short- term effects, such as diarrhea, cramps, nausea, headaches, or other symptoms. They may pose a greater health risk for infants, young children, the elderly, and people with



what we did to correct this situation.	severely compromised immune systems.

### For Water Systems Providing Groundwater as a Source of Drinking Water

#### Table 8. Sampling Results Showing Fecal Indicator-Positive Groundwater Source Samples

Microbiological Contaminants (complete if fecal indicator detected)	Total No. of Detections	Sample Dates	MCL [MRDL]	PHG (MCLG) [MRDLG]	Typical Source of Contaminant
E. coli	N/A	-	0	(0)	Human and animal fecal waste
Enterococci	N/A	-	TT	N/A	Human and animal fecal waste
Coliphage	N/A	-	TT	N/A	Human and animal fecal waste

Summary Information for Fecal Indicator-Positive Groundwater Source Samples, Uncorrected Significant Deficiencies, or Violation of a Groundwater TT

Special Notice of Fecal Indicator-Positive Groundwater Source Sample: N/A

Special Notice for Uncorrected Significant Deficiencies: N/A

#### Table 9. Violation of Groundwater TT

Violation	Explanation	Duration	Actions Taken to Correct Violation	Health Effects Language
N/A	-	-	-	-

## For Systems Providing Surface Water as a Source of Drinking Water

#### Table 10. Sampling Results Showing Treatment of Surface Water Sources

Treatment Technique (a) (Type of approved filtration technology used)	CDPH approved alternative filtration technology.
Turbidity Performance Standards (b) (that must be met through the water treatment process)	Turbidity of the filtered water must:  1 – Be less than or equal to 0.3 NTU in 95% of measurements in a month.



	2 – Not exceed 1 NTU for more than eight consecutive hours.		
	3 – Not exceed 5 NTU at any time.		
Lowest monthly percentage of samples that met Turbidity Performance Standard No. 1.	100%		
Highest single turbidity measurement during the year	0.288 NTU		
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.

## **Summary Information for Violation of a Surface Water TT**

**Table 11. Violation of Surface Water TT** 

Violation	Explanation	Duration	Actions Taken to Correct Violation	Health Effects Language
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## **Summary Information for Operating Under a Variance or Exemption**

None