



City of Hughson
7018 Pine Street
Hughson, CA 95326

For more information on your water quality or questions about this report, please contact the City of Hughson Utilities Department at (209) 883-4054 and ask for Jose Vasquez. You are welcome to participate in the City Council meetings to voice any concerns regarding your drinking water. The City Council meets the second and fourth Monday of each month at 6:00pm at City Hall located at 7018 Pine Street, Hughson, CA.

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What's In Your Water?

This report contains important information about the quality of drinking water for the period of January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024. Included are details about where your water comes from, data about what is in your water and how water tests on your drinking water compares to Federal and State drinking water standards.

The City of Hughson is committed to providing its residents with a reliable and safe supply of water for drinking, washing, irrigation, and other domestic uses. As part of this commitment, we regularly test the water from our wells and in the distribution system near your home. Last year, ***we had over 200 separate, independent laboratory tests performed*** on the City's water to ensure it met state and federal drinking water standards. ***With the exception of two contaminants, all of the test samples indicated that the water we provide to our customers meets current state and federal standards.*** The City is currently working on improvements to address these contaminants, and hopes to reach full compliance with drinking water standards in 2026.



We encourage our non-English speaking residents to speak with someone who can assist them in reading this report. *Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable. Tradúzcalo ó hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.*

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What's New? In 2024, the City of Hughson identified several urgent water system upgrade projects, some of which diverted attention away from projects that were planned for 2024, like constructing a new water treatment system to remove 1,2,3 -TCP at Well 8. The City has worked diligently to complete the upgrades over the past year, and is committed to further the work of meeting state and federal drinking water standards, including reducing arsenic and 1,2,3 -TCP, with the goal of full compliance by mid 2026. As always, we try to manage water system improvement work to minimize the cost to our residents.

Is My Water Safe?

Government regulations require that public water systems test their drinking water for contaminants, including bacteria, lead, arsenic, pesticides, and many other chemicals. Like the food we eat, all water (including bottled water) will have trace amounts of contaminants, but this does not necessarily mean it is a health risk if present in low amounts or concentrations. Federal and state governments have developed a list of many contaminants with known or suspected health concerns that may be found in public water supplies, and established limits on the amount of these contaminants allowed in drinking water. These limits are called *maximum contaminant levels* (MCLs). Based on independent laboratory testing last year, the City of Hughson's water was found to be in compliance with nearly all government drinking water standards. Arsenic in two water sources not comply, and 3 of 5 City wells had elevated concentrations of 1,2,3-trichloropropane (1,2,3-TCP), which was added to the list of regulated contaminants by the State of California in 2018. The City is in the process of both adding new treatment systems to remove contaminants, and also removing wells with contaminants from service. More information regarding arsenic and 1,2,3-TCP in your water and why it's a concern is provided in this report.

What is the City doing to protect public health?

The City of Hughson's water is supplied solely with groundwater wells. Groundwater is water that has soaked into the soils from rains, rivers, and irrigation, and continuing downward, filling openings in beds of gravel and sand called aquifers. From here, wells are used to pump it out of the ground into the water system, and finally to your home or business. Along the way it can pick up contaminants. To protect public health, we regularly test it for naturally occurring and man-made contaminants. Water samples are taken every week from a number of locations throughout the water distribution system to check for bacteria. The samples are tested by private, state certified laboratories to see they meet all state and federal drinking water standards. Our active wells are operated and maintained by State licensed water treatment operators. *Source assessments* (evaluations of potential risk of contamination) have been conducted for each of the wells, and are available to the public upon request. Currently, our drinking water sources include five (5) wells:

- Well 3 - Starn Park
- Well 4 - Hughson Elementary School
- Well 8 – Euclid Avenue
- Well 9 - Roeding Road
- Well 10 - Tully Road

Having trouble paying your water bills?

LIHWAP (Low Income Housing Water Assistance Program) is a federally funding program that offers a one-time payment for residents struggling to pay their water bills, either past due or current. The program helps low income households in California pay down their utility bills to avoid shut-offs. The program also offers assistance with sewer and electric bills. For more information, and to see if you qualify, contact the Central Valley Opportunity Center at (209) 338-0004, or www.cvoc.org.

