IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable.
Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

Monitoring Requirements Not Met For South Kern Mutual Water Company

Our water system failed to monitor and report as required for drinking water standards during the past year and, therefore, was in violation of the regulations. Even though this failure was not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what you should do, what happened, and what we did to correct this situation.

We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. During the time period of 2018 through February 15, 2024, there was no operator maintaining the water system and no water quality samples were collected for all contaminants and therefore, cannot be sure of the quality of our drinking water during that time.

What should I do?

- There is nothing you need to do at this time.
- The table below lists the contaminant(s) we did not properly test for since 2018, how many samples we are required to take and how often, how many samples we took, when samples should have been taken, and the date on which follow-up samples were taken. Also included is a list of other requirements that the system failed to meet.
- If you have health issues concerning the consumption of this water, you may wish to consult your doctor.

Contaminant	**Required Sampling Frequency**	**Number of Samples Taken**	**When All Samples Should Have Been Taken**	**When Samples Were Taken**
Total Coliform Bacteria	Monthly	0	2018 - 2024	February 2024
Nitrate	Quarterly	0	2023	February 2024
Lead and Copper	Every three years	0	2023	Planned for 2024
Requirement	**Required Frequency**	**Failure**	**When Requirement Should Have Been Met**	**When Requirement Was Met**
Employ or utilize certified operator	Continuous	No certified operator	2018 - 2024	February 2024
Submit public notices, proof of public notice, and progress reports for uranium MCL exceedance.	Quarterly	Failed to submit	2017 - 2024	June 2024
Submit public notices, proof of public notice, and progress reports for past 1,2,3-trichloropropance MCL exceedance.	Quarterly	Failed to submit	2018 - 2024	June 2024
Submit Annual Electronic Report	Annual	Failed to submit	2022 Reporting Year	April 2024 for 2023 Reporting Year

What happened? What is being done?

On February 2, 2024, the Provost & Pritchard Administrator Team assumed administration of the South Kern Mutual Water Company. All past due water quality monitoring was conducted promptly, and a certified operator was hired. The Administrator Team will be developing a long-term solution for the South Kern community. The Administrator Team has also prepared a Community Accountability and Engagement

Plan and is holding quarterly public meetings during the time we are serving you as the Administrator.

For more information, please contact Golden State Water Company (part of the administrator team) at 1-800-999-4033.

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this public notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

Secondary Notification Requirements

Upon receipt of notification from a person operating a public water system, the following notification must be given within 10 days [Health and Safety Code Section 116450(g)]:

- SCHOOLS: Must notify school employees, students, and parents (if the students are minors).
- RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROPERTY OWNERS OR MANAGERS (including nursing homes and care facilities): Must notify tenants.
- BUSINESS PROPERTY OWNERS, MANAGERS, OR OPERATORS: Must notify employees of businesses located on the property.

This notice is being sent to you by South Kern Mutual Water Company.

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