

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER**

### **Santa Cruz Water Association Has Levels of Uranium Above Drinking Water Standards**

***Este informe contiene información importante acerca de su agua potable. Haga que alguien lo traduzca para usted, o hable con alguien que lo entienda.***

Our water system recently violated a drinking water standard. Although this is not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we did (are doing) to correct this situation.

A routine sanitary survey conducted on October 26, 2021 by the New Mexico Environment Department-Drinking Water Bureau (NMED DWB) found.

1. 001J Inadequate site security at Well #1A (001).
2. 001J Inadequate site security at Well #2 (002).
3. 001J Inadequate site security at Well #4 (004).
4. 001J Inadequate site security at Well #8 (008).
5. 001L Well head or spring box is not properly sealed at Well #1A (001).
6. 001L Lack of Vent for Well #2 (002).
7. 001L Well head or spring box is not properly sealed Well #5 (005).
8. 001L Well head or spring box is not properly sealed for Well #8 (008) the well has an older sanitary well seal.

As required by Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) Ground Water Rule, we were required to correct these deficiencies. However, we failed to take this action by the deadline established by the NMED DWB.

#### **What should I do?**

There is nothing you need to do. You do not need to boil your water or take other corrective actions. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.

If you have a severely compromised immune system, have an infant, are pregnant, or are elderly, you may be at increased risk and should seek advice from your health care providers about drinking this water. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

#### **What does this mean?**

This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified within 24 hours.

\*Inadequately treated water may contain disease-causing organisms. These organisms include bacteria, viruses, and parasites which can cause symptoms such as nausea, cramps, diarrhea, and associated headaches.\*

These symptoms, however, are not caused only by organisms in drinking water, but also by other factors. If you experience any of these symptoms and they persist, you may want to seek medical advice.

**What is being done?**

The repairs to the well heads and security cages as listed above have started construction as of June 15<sup>th</sup> 2023.

The well heads that require two ports have been received in for installation.

The recast for the well head concrete slabs for the security cages are being fished to weld the security cages to. All plan to be complete by August 30, 2023.

The water operator is on sight daily for well head security audits until completed.

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