2020 Water Quality Report

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We purchase our water from Meade County Water District. Their sources of water are Hardin County Water District #1 (HCWD#1), Hardin County Water District #2 (HCWD#2) and Louisville Water Company (LWC). HDWD#1 and HCWD#2 utilize surface water. Both watersheds are largely agricultural areas, and are impacted by fertilizers, pesticides and herbicides. A source water assessment for HCWD#1 or HCWD#2 may be obtained from KY Division of Water (502) 564-3410. Louisville Water Company (LWC) utilizes the Ohio River as a source for surface water. LWC water operates a surface Treatment plant, with both intakes on the Ohio River. The Kentucky Division of Water approved a source water assessment and protection plan LWC. The plan looks at LWC susceptibility. Two possible sources of contamination. Materials on the Ohio River and permitted discharges of sanitary sewers are the highest contamination risks. In Jefferson County the land use in the protection area is Primarily zoned for residential and commercial use, with only a few industrial sites. Source water contamination risks are relatively low. Louisville water company maintains an emergency preparedness and disaster Service plan to address potential contamination risks. To view the entire LWC Source Water Assessment and Protection Plan call Jeremy Rainey at (502) 569-3600 extension 2328.

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 may be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

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 may 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, (sewage plants, septic systems, livestock operations, or wildlife). Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, (naturally occurring or from stormwater runoff, wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming). Pesticides and herbicides, (stormwater runoff, agriculture or residential uses). Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, (by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, or from gas stations, stormwater runoff, or septic systems). Radioactive contaminants, (naturally occurring or from oil and gas production or mining activities). In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water to provide the same protection for public health.

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. EPA/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).

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. Your local public water system 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 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.

Some or all of these definitions may be found in this report:

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) - the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

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 allow for a margin of safety.

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.

Below Detection Levels (BDL) - laboratory analysis indicates that the contaminant is not present.

Not Applicable (N/A) - does not apply.

Parts per million (ppm) - or milligrams per liter, (mg/l). One part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

Parts per billion (ppb) - or micrograms per liter, (µg/L). One part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

Parts per trillion (ppt) - one part per trillion corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000,000.

Parts per quadrillion (ppq) - one part per quadrillion corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000,000 years or one penny in \$10,000,000,000,000.

Picocuries per liter (pCi/L) - a measure of the radioactivity in water.

Millirems per year (mrem/yr) - measure of radiation absorbed by the body.

Million Fibers per Liter (MFL) - a measure of the presence of asbestos fibers that are longer than 10 micrometers.

Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU) - a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity has no health effects. However, turbidity can provide a medium for microbial growth. Turbidity is monitored because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of the filtration system.

Variances & Exemptions (V&E) - State or EPA permission not to meet an MCL or a treatment technique under certain conditions.

Action Level (AL) - the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system shall follow.

Treatment Technique (TT) - a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

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To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated contaminants, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of having the described health effect.

The data presented in this report are from the most recent testing done in accordance with administrative regulations in 401 KAR Chapter 8. As authorized and approved by EPA, the State has reduced monitoring requirements for certain contaminants to less often than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. Some of the data in this table, though representative, may be more than one year old. Copies of this report are available upon request by contacting our office during business hours.

A= Hardin County Water District #1, B= Hardin County Water District #2, C= Louisville Water Company, D= Doe Valley Utilities

Regulated Contaminan	t Test Res	ults D	oe V	alley Utili	ities							
Contaminant			rce	Report	Range		Date of	Violation	Likely Source of			
[code] (units)	MCL	MCLG	Source	Level	vel of Detection		Sample		Contamination			
Inorganic Contaminant	s	<u> </u>					<u></u>		<u> </u>	•		
Barium			A=	0.028	0.028	to	0.028	2020	No	Drilling wastes; metal refineries;		
[1010] (ppm)	2	2	B=	0.031	0.031	to	0.031	2020		erosion of natural deposits		
Fluoride			A=	0.77	0.77	to	0.77	2020	No			
[1025] (ppm)	4	4	B=	0.78	0.78	to	0.78	2020	No	Water additive which promotes		
			C=	0.6	0.6	to	0.6	2020	No	strong teeth		
Mercury			A=	0.2	0.2	to	0.2	2020	No	Erosion of natural deposits;		
[1035] (ppb)	2	2								refineries and factories; landfills;		
Nitrate			A=	1	1	to	1	2020	No	Fertilizer runoff; leaching from		
[1040] (ppm)	10	10	B=	2.97	2.97	to	2.97	2020	No	septic tanks, sewage; erosion of		
			C=	1.1	0.9		1.1	2020		natural deposits		
Nitrite			B=	0.2	0.2	to	0.2	2020	No	septic tanks, sewage; erosion of		
[1041] (ppm)	1	1								natural deposits		
Synthetic Organic Cont	taminants	including	Pest	icides and	l Herbici	des						
Atrazine			A=	0.23	BDL	to	0.46	2020	No	Runoff from herbicide used on		
[2050] (ppb)	3	3	B=	0.33	BDL	to	0.33	2020	No	row crops		
Disinfectants/Disinfection	on Bypro	ducts and l	Prec	ursors								
Total Organic Carbon (ppm)			A=	2.11	1.00	to	4.31	2020	No			
(report level=lowest avg.	TT*	N/A	B=	2.20	1.00	to	4.32	2020	No	Naturally present in environment.		
range of monthly ratios)			C=	1.34	0.92	to	1.97	2020	No			
*Monthly ratio is the % TOC re	emoval achie	eved to the %	TOC 1	removal requ	ired. Annu	al ave	rage must be	1.00 or greater	r for complia	nnce.		
Chloramines	MRDL	MRDLG		2.35						Water additive used to control		
(ppm)	= 4	= 4	C=	(highest	0.85	to	2.90	2020	No	microbes.		
				average)								
HAA (ppb) (Stage 2)										Byproduct of drinking water		
[Haloacetic acids]	60	N/A	C=	46	4.1	4.1 to 88		2020 N	No	disinfection		
				(average)	(range of	indiv	idual sites)					
TTHM (ppb) (Stage 2)										Byproduct of drinking water		
[total trihalomethanes]	80	N/A	C=	25	8	to	28	2020	No	disinfection.		
				(average)	(range of	indiv	vidual sites)					
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Household Plumbing C	1	nts			ı		1		ſ	1		
Copper [1022] (ppm)	AL =			0.757					,,	Corrosion of household plumbing		
sites exceeding action level	1.3	1.3	C=	(90 th	0.031	to	0.836	July-2019	No	systems		
0				percentile)								
Lead [1030] (ppb)	AL =	_		4						Corrosion of household plumbing		
sites exceeding action level	15	0	C=	(90 th	0	to	8	July-2019	No	systems		
0 Other Constituents				percentile)					<u> </u>			
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Turbidity (NTU) TT	Allowable		Source	Highest S	ghest Single		Lowest	Violation				
* Representative samples	Levels		\mathbf{S}_{0}	Measurement		N	Monthly %		Likely Source of Turbidity			
Turbidity is a measure of the	No more than 1 NTU*		A=	0.09		T	100	No				
clarity of the water and not a	Less than 0.3 NTU in		B=	0.022			100	No	Soil runoff			
contaminant.	95% month	ly samples	C=	0.07			100	No				

Unregulated Contaminants (UCMR 4)		average	range (ppb)			date
HAA5	A=	18.361	4.33	to	37.4	2020
HAA6Br	A=	3.772	2.49	to	8.33	2020
HAA9	A=	21.991	7.15	to	40.8	2020
HAA5	B=	16.088	10.4	to	19.9	2020
HAA6Br	B=	3.4175	26.5	to	5.65	2020
HAA9	B=	19.5	15.9	to	23.7	2020

Your drinking water has been sampled for a series of unregulated contaminants. Unregulated contaminants are those that EPA has not established drinking water standards. There are no MCLs and therefore no violations if found. The purpose of monitoring for these contaminants is to help EPA determine where the contaminants occur and whether they should have a standard. As our customers, you have a right to know that these data are available. If you are interested in examining the results, please contact our office during normal business hours.

This report will not be sent to individual customers. It will be available at our office.