#### 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, ( $\mu$ g/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

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.

Spanish (Español) Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre la calidad de su agua beber. Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.



# Water Quality Report 2020



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This report is designed to inform the public about the quality of water and services provided on a daily basis. Our commitment is to provide a safe, clean, and reliable supply of drinking water. We want to assure that we will continue to monitor, improve, and protect the water system and deliver a high quality product.

Rowan Water Inc. purchases water from the Morehead Utility Plant Board, which treats surface water from the Licking River. Activities and land uses upstream of the source can pose potential risks to your drinking water. These activities, and how they are conducted, are of interest to the entire community because they potentially affect your health and the cost of treating your water. Activities immediately upstream of your water supply intake are of special concern because they provide little response time to the water system operators. An analysis of the susceptibility of the Morehead Utility Plant Board's raw water supply to contamination indicates that the susceptibility potential is generally moderate. There are a few areas of high concern near the raw water withdrawal site. Farming sites located in the area present the possibility for the impact from the application of pesticides and fertilizer. Bridges and major road ways used to access the Cave Run Lake recreational area also pose a threat to the intake should an accidental release of a harmful substance be introduced into the water source. Another source of potential concern in the critical protection area is a small wastewater package treatment plant located in the area. Other sites of medium concern include a marina, a fish hatchery, the presence of an underground storage tank and a small grocery/gas station, and a manufacturing industry. The complete Source Water Assessment is available at the Water Treatment Plant for inspection.

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. Immunocompromised 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).

#### **Information About Lead:**

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.



## **Morehead Utility Plant Board Results**

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.

Regulated Contaminant	Test Resu	ılts	Morehead I	Utility P	lant	Board			
Contaminant			Report	Range of Detection		Date of	Violation	Likely Source of	
[code] (units)	MCL	MCLG	Level			Sample		Contamination	
Radioactive Contaminar	ıts								
Combined radium (pCi/L)	5	0	1.02	1.02	to	1.02	May-20	No	Erosion of natural deposits
Inorganic Contaminants	-						-		
Barium									
[1010] (ppm)	2	2	0.016	0.016	to	0.016	Mar-20	No	Drilling wastes; metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride									
[1025] (ppm)	4	4	0.56	0.56	to	0.56	Mar-20	No	Water additive which promotes strong teeth
Nitrate									Fertilizer runoff; leaching from
[1040] (ppm)	10	10	0.279	0	to	0.279	Feb-20	No	septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Disinfectants/Disinfectio	n Byprod	ucts and Prec	ursors						
Total Organic Carbon (ppm)	''		1.12						
(measured as ppm, but	TT*	N/A	(lowest	1.00	to	1.30	2020	No	Naturally present in environment.
reported as a ratio)			average)	(m	(monthly ratios)				
*Monthly ratio is the % TOC remo	val achieved	to the % TOC reme	oval required. An	nual averag	e mus	st be 1.00 or gre	ater for complia	nce.	•
Other Constituents			-			_	-		
Turbidity (NTU) TT	A	llowable	Highest Single			Lowest	Violation		
* Representative samples		Levels	Measurement			Monthly %		Likely Source of Turbidity	
Turbidity is a measure of the	No more than 1 NTU*		0.192			100	No		
clarity of the water and not a contaminant.	Less than 0.3 NTU in							Soil runoff	
	95% of mor	nthly samples							

### **Rowan Water Results**

Regulated Contaminant Test Results Rowan Water Inc.													
Contaminant			Report	Range		Date of	Violation	Likely Source of					
[code] (units)	MCL	MCLG	Level	of Detection			Sample		Contamination				
Disinfectants/Disinfection Byproducts and Precursors													
Chlorine	MRDL	MRDLG	1.04						W. 182				
(ppm)	= 4	= 4	(highest	0.3	to	1.36	2020	No	Water additive used to control microbes.				
			average)						imerooes.				
HAA (ppb) (Stage 2)			42										
[Haloacetic acids]	60	N/A	(high site	21	to	69	2020	No	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection				
			average)	(range o	f indiv	idual sites)			dismection				
TTHM (ppb) (Stage 2)			75						D 1				
[total trihalomethanes]	80	N/A	(high site	31	to	119	2020	No	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.				
			average)	(range o	f indiv	idual sites)			dismirection.				
Household Plumbing Contaminants													
Copper [1022] (ppm)	AL =		0.429										
sites exceeding action level	1.3	1.3	(90 <sup>th</sup>	0.0172	to	0.555	Jul-18	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems				
0			percentile)										
Lead [1030] (ppb)	AL =		3										
sites exceeding action level	15	0	(90 <sup>th</sup>	0	to	7	Jul-18	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems				
0			percentile)						Systems				



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