2020 Water Quality Report

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Vine Grove, Kentucky 40175 1st Monday of each Month at 6:30 PM

Our water is purchased from Hardin County Water District #1 (PWSID # KY0470393) which comes from The Pirtle Springs Water Treatment Plant and the Fort Knox Water Treatment Plant (PWSID # KY0470990). Hardin County Water District # 1 has two Karst, surface water sources for the Pirtle Springs Water Treatment Plant. They are Pirtle Springs and the head of Rough Springs. Fort Knox has two sources which includes 15 deep wells on the West Point Aquifer, these are classified as ground water. They also utilize a Mc Cracken Springs, a surface water source source near Otter Creek. The sources of high potential impact include: underground storage tanks, agricultural, oil and gas wells, and septic systems. The Hardin County Water District # 1 has completed a source water determination plan which found both sources are under direct influence of surface water. Source water assessment information and a copy of the Fort Knox Annual Water Quality Report may be obtained from at (270) 624-5252. You can obtain these source water assessments from the Lincoln Trail Ad District located at 613 College Street Elizabethtown, Kentucky 42701 or call (270) 769-2393.

Hardin County Water District #1 purchases water from Hardin County Water District #2 and Louisville Water Company. The Hardin County Water District #2 withdraws water from White Mill Spring, which is classified as surface water. A susceptibility determination indicates that there are 345 potential sources of contamination within the protection areas. Risks include highways, railroad, septic systems row crops, Pasturelands, junkyard, gas stations, AST, UST, in old water wells. All potential contaminant sources are classified is high due to the geologic makeup of a karst terrain. Hardin County Water District #2 (HCWD #2), at the City Springs Water Treatment Plant, currently draws its surface water supply from 7 wells and two Karst Springs. The delineated wellhead protection area includes the City of Elizabethtown and several major freeways in predominantly karst terrain. The contaminant source inventory indicates hundreds of potential contaminant sources within this geological environment. In addition to freeways and railways, potential contaminant sources range from unknown number of septic systems too large chemical and manufacturing industries. All potential contaminant sources are classified is high due to the geologic makeup of a karst terrain. To view the entire HCWD#2 Source Water Assessment and Protection Plan (270) 737-1056. Louisville Water Company (LWC)utilizes the Ohio River as a source for surface water. Louisville 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 for Jefferson County. 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

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.

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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upon request by contacting				n uns table, t	nougnitepit	Joena	tuve, may be	nore than one	year old. Co	pies of this report are available	
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Department (VG)		,					,	0.1.2. 00.10			
Regulated Contamina	nt Test Re	culte		Vine Cro	vo Wator	r Do	partment				
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			Source	-			0		violation	· ·	
[code] (units)	MCL	MCLG	š	Level	of	Dete	ction	Sample		Contamination	
Radioactive Contamin	1		1		1			1			
Beta photon emitters	50	0	FKB	6.5	6.5	to	6.5	2017	No	Decay of natural and man-made	
(pCi/L)								-		deposits	
Alpha emitters	15	0	FKB	3.4	3.4	to	3.4	2017	No	Erosion of natural deposits	
[4000] (pCi/L)										-	
Inorganic Contaminar	nts		1		1						
Barium			HC1	0.028	0.028	to	0.028	2020	No	Drilling wastes; metal refineries;	
[1010] (ppm)	2	2								erosion of natural deposits	
Fluoride			HC1	0.77	0.77	to	0.77			Water additive which promotes	
[1025] (ppm)	4	4	FKA	0.7	0.7	to	0.7	2020	No	strong teeth	
			FKB	0.8	0.8	to	0.8			Ŭ	
Mercury			HC1	0.2	0.2	to	0.2	2020	No	Erosion of natural deposits;	
[1035] (ppb)	2	2								refineries and factories; landfills;	
										runoff from cropland	
Nitrate			HC1	1	1	to	1			Fertilizer runoff; leaching from	
[1040] (ppm)	10	10	FKA	2.2	2.2	to	2.2	2020	No	septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits	
Synthetic Organic Cor	ntaminant	s including	Pestici	des and F	Ierbicide	es				•	
Atrazine			HC1	0.23	BDL	to	0.46	2020	No	Runoff from herbicide used on	
[2050] (ppb)	3	3								row crops	
Disinfectants/Disinfect	-		Precur	sors					I		
Total Organic Carbon (ppm)		uucus unu	HC1	2.11	1.0	to	4.31				
(report level=lowest avg.	TT*	N/A	ner	2.11	1.0	10	4.51	2020	No	Naturally present in environment.	
range of monthly ratios)		10/1						2020	110	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
*Monthly ratio is the % TOC	removal achie	eved to the % '	TOC rem	oval required	Annual av	erage	e must be 1.00	or greater for	compliance		
Chloramines	MRDL	MRDLG	VG	2.34	. Annuar av	crage	e must be 1.00	of greater for	compnance.		
	= 4	= 4		(highest	0.29	to	3.10	2020	No	Water additive used to control	
(ppm)	- 4	- 4		average)	0.29	10	5.10	2020	NO	microbes.	
UAA (nnh) (Stage 2)				average)							
HAA (ppb) (Stage 2) [Haloacetic acids]	60	N/A	VG	22	3.5	to	40.9	2020	No	Byproduct of drinking water	
[Haloaceuc acius]	00	IN/A	vu	(average)			vidual sites)	2020	NO	disinfection	
TTHM (ppb) (Stage 2)				(average)	(range of	mai	viduai sites)				
[total trihalomethanes]	80	N/A	VG	21	7.9	4.0	27.5	2020	No	Byproduct of drinking water	
[total trinaiomethanes]	80	IN/A	vG			to final:		2020	INU	disinfection.	
	1		I	(average)	(range of	11101	vidual sites)		1	<u>I</u>	
Household Plumbing (antomine	nte									
Copper [1022] (ppm)	AL =		VG	0.166					Г	r	
sites exceeding action level	AL = 1.3	1.3	vu	(90 th	0.007	to	0.263	Aug 10	No	Corrosion of household plumbing	
0	1.5	1.5			0.007	ω	0.205	Aug-19	110	systems	
U Lead [1030] (ppb)	AL =		VG	percentile) 4							
	AL = 15	0	vu	4 (90 th	0	te	4	Aug 10	No	Corrosion of household plumbing	
sites exceeding action level	15	0		×	0	to	4	Aug-19	110	systems	
Other Constituents	1		I	percentile)					1	L	
	A 11	mahla	8	High and C	ingle	Т	L ormo-4	Viol-4			
Turbidity (NTU) TT	Alle	owable	Source	Highest S	ingie	Lowest		Violation			
* Representative samples	_	evels	š	Measure	nent]	Monthly %		Likely Source of Turbidity		
Turbidity is a measure of the	No more th	an 1 NTU*	HC1	1 0.09							
clarity of the water and not a	Less than (.3 NTU in	FKA	0	.246		100	No	1	Soil runoff	
contaminant.				~	.240		100	110		boli fulloff	

Purchased water from Hardin County Water District #2: White Mills WTP (HCA), City Springs (HCB)
Purchased water from Louisviile Water Company (LWC) / Hardin County Water District #1 (HC1)

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Regulated Contaminan	t Test Res	sults		Vine Grov	e Water D	epartment				
Contaminant	ninant 월 Report Range		inge	Date of Violation		Likely Source of				
[code] (units)	MCL	MCLG	Source	Level	of Detection		Sample		Contamination	
Inorganic Contaminant	S		-							
Barium			HCA	0.031	0.031 to	0.031	2020	No	Drilling wastes; metal refineries;	
[1010] (ppm)	2	2	HCB	0.036	0.036 to	0.036	2020	No	erosion of natural deposits	
Fluoride			HCA	0.78	0.78 to	0.78	2020	No	XX7 / 11'.' 1'1 /	
[1025] (ppm)	4	4	HCB	0.5	0.5 to	0.5	2020	No	Water additive which promotes strong teeth	
			LWC	0.6	0.6 to	0.6	2020	No	strong teeth	
Nitrate			HCA	2.97	2.97 to	2.97	2020	No	Fertilizer runoff; leaching from	
[1040] (ppm)	10	10	HCB	1.44	1.44 to	1.44	2020	No	septic tanks, sewage; erosion of	
			LWC	1.1	0.9 to	1.1	2019	No	natural deposits	
Nitrite			HCA	0.2	0.2 to	0.2	2020	No	Fertilizer runoff; leaching from	
[1041] (ppm)	1	1	HCB	0.2	0.2 to	0.2	2020	No	septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits	
Synthetic Organic Cont	taminants	including	Pestici	des and H	erbicides					
Atrazine		0	HCA	0.33	BDL to	0.33	2020	No	Runoff from herbicide used on	
[2050] (ppb)	3	3							row crops	
Disinfectants/Disinfection	on Bypro	ducts and	Precurs	ors					-	
Total Organic Carbon (ppm)			HCA	2.20	1.00 to	4.32				
(report level=lowest avg.	TT*	N/A	HCB	1.26	1.00 to	1.67	2020	No	Naturally present in environment.	
range of monthly ratios)			LWC	1.34	0.92 to	1.97				
Other Constituents										
Turbidity (NTU) TT	Allo	wable	rce	Highest S	ingle	Lowest	Violation			
* Representative samples	L	evels	Source	Measurement		Monthly %		Likely Source of Turbidity		
Turbidity is a measure of the	No more th	an 1 NTU*	HCA	0.022				· · ·		
clarity of the water and not a	Less than 0.3 NTU in		HCB	0.042		100	No	Soil runoff		
contaminant.	95% monthly samples		LWC	0.07						

Unregulated Contaminants (UCMR 4)	Source	average	ra	nge (ppb)	date
HAA5	HC1	18.361	4.33	to	37.4	2020
HAA6Br	HC1	3.772	2.49	to	8.33	2020
HAA9	HC1	21.991	7.15	to	40.8	2020
HAA5	HC2	16.088	10.4	to	19.9	2020
HAA6Br	HC2	3.4175	26.5	to	5.65	2020
HAA9	HC2	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 City Hall.