

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER
SYSTEM NAME: Cottonwood Municipal Water PWS # 13-106
Well Site 6-2
Has Levels of Arsenic Above Drinking Water Standards

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 are doing to correct this situation.

Quarterly we monitor for the presence of Arsenic in the drinking water. After receiving the last test result on October 9, 2018 for the 3rd Qtr. 2018 we calculated running annual average (RAA) and it exceeds the standard of 10 parts per billion (ppb). The calculated average was 11.4 ppb.

What should I do?

You do not need to use an alternative (e.g. bottled) water supply. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.

What does this mean?

This is not an immediate risk. If it had been you would have been notified immediately. Some people who drink water containing arsenic in excess of the MCL over many years could experience skin damage or problems with circulatory system, and many have an increased risk of getting cancer.

What is being done?

A running annual average is calculated by taking the last four sampling results and using that average to meet the MCL, which is 10 ppb.

The table below shows the last six months of samples. As per standard, the sample results are averaged for the exceedances and the confirmation samples. Even though the last sample result was 1.8 ppb mathematically, the well site is still above the running annual average. We will continue to test this site quarterly and you will receive these notifications until the RAA is reliably and consistently under the 10 ppb standard.

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Date	Result	Combined Result
9/12/2018	1.8	1.8
6/14/2018	3.1	3.1
5/30/2018	4.8	}
5/16/2018	21	
3/22/2018	2.3	}
3/2/2018	53	
Average		11.4

For more information, please contact Roger Biggs at (928) 634-0186 ext. 3307 or via email at rbiggs@cottonwoodaz.gov

**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 notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.*

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