

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Jemez Springs DWUA Has Levels of Arsenic 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 are doing to correct this situation.

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. Testing results we received show that our system exceeds the standard or maximum contaminant level (MCL) for arsenic. The standard for arsenic is 0.010 mg/L. The average level of arsenic in samples take during 1Q2021-(0.013) mg/L and 2q2021-(0.012) was (RAA) mg/L. The table below shows the dates, locations, and values detected:

Sample Location	Quarter & Year	RAA mg/L
Arsenic Treatment Plant (Gallagher)	2Q2021	0.012

What should I do?

- There is nothing you need to do. **You do not need to boil your water** or take 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 an increased risk and should seek advice from your health care providers about drinking this water.

What does this mean?

This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified within 24 hours. However, some people who drink water containing arsenic in excess of the MCL over many years could experience skin damage or problems with their circulatory system and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

What is being done?

We are currently monitoring the arsenic levels weekly, independently of state required testing. Our testing finds we are currently under the MCL allotted by the state. Also, we are working with NMED to rectify these violations. As we keep getting lower results with each test, we anticipate the MCL to be within required limits by December 2021.

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