

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Este aviso contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable, por favor lea el aviso en español si va aquí incluido. Si el aviso en español no va incluido aquí, contacte al sistema de agua para pedir una copia.

The Gratton School Water System Has Levels of 1,2,3-Trichloropropane Above the Drinking Water Standard

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 you should do, what happened, and what we are doing to correct this situation.

Starting in 2018, all community and non-transient non-community water systems were required to monitor for 1,2,3-trichloropropane in their water supplies. The maximum contaminant level (MCL) of 0.005 µg/L became effective December 14th, 2017, and affected systems were required to monitor quarterly throughout the 2018 year to determine compliance with the new regulation. Water samples were collected quarterly for the 2018 year, and showed an average 1,2,3-trichloropropane (1,2,3-TCP) concentration of **0.006 µg/L** (6 parts per trillion, or 0.000006 milligrams per liter) This is above the state MCL of **0.005 µg/L** (5 parts per trillion, or 0.000005 milligrams per liter).

What should I do?

- **You do not need to use an alternative water supply (e.g., bottled water).**
- This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately. However, *some people who drink water containing 1,2,3-TCP in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.*
- If you have other health issues concerning the consumption of this water, you may wish to consult your doctor.

What happened? What is being done?

1,2,3- TCP is a chlorinated hydrocarbon with high chemical stability. It is a manmade chemical that was used in the past as a cleaning and degreasing agent; it is also associated with some pesticide products.

We do not know exactly how or why this chemical ended up in the groundwater. However, we will be investigating possible corrective measures and working with the local health authority to ensure that safe drinking water is supplied to our consumers.

For more information, please contact Quality Service, Inc. at (209)838-7842 or the Stanislaus County Department of Environmental Health at (209) 525-6700.

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