## 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.

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. Water samples collected between January 2019 and March 2019 showed a 1,2,3-trichloropropane (1,2,3-TCP) concentration of  $0.006~\mu g/L$  (6 parts per trillion, or 0.000006~milligrams per liter). The average concentration in water samples collected over the past four calander quarters is  $0.008~\mu g/L$  (8 parts per trillion, or 0.000008~milligrams per liter), which is above the state MCL of  $0.005~\mu g/L$  (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 and a stable molecule that does not deteriorate rapidly in the environment. 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 historically used.

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 environmental 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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