

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 above a 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 \$10,000,000,000,000.

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.

Variations & Exemptions (V&E) - State or EPA permission not to meet a 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.

Spanish (Español) Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre la calidad de su agua beber. Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

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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). To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated contaminants, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of having the described health effect.

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

Source Information:

Madisonville treats surface water from Lake Pee Wee and the Green River. A source water assessment that addresses the system's susceptibility to potential sources of contamination has been completed and is available for review at the Madisonville Water Treatment Plant. The assessment states that there are seven hundred fifty-nine potential contaminant sites with the possibility of contaminating the water supply located within the watershed. Sources of high potential impact include seventy-nine chemical storage/use facilities and five hundred fifty-two oil/gas wells which have the potential for contamination due to leaching, leaks and spills. The Calhoun, Central City, Sacramento, Island, Livermore and four small scale wastewater treatment facilities have the potential of contamination from the possibility of untreated materials wastewater discharges. Potential contaminants from chemical use and storage are present at various industrial sites, coal mines, marinas, and landfills. Other potential areas of concern located within the watershed are roads, bridges and highways which pose a risk due to the possibility of hazardous entering the water supply from traffic accidents, spills, and illegal dumping. Households which are not connected to a public wastewater system present a source of contamination due to the possibility of failing septic systems. Farms located within the watershed present the possibility of siltation, pathogens, pesticides and fertilizer to enter the water supply.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immunocompromised 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).

Information about Lead:

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 water system is responsible for providing high quality drinking water and removing lead pipes, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components in your home. You share the responsibility for protecting yourself and your family from the lead in your home plumbing. You can take responsibility by identifying and removing lead materials within your home plumbing and taking steps to reduce your family's risk. Before drinking tap water, flush your pipes for several minutes by running your tap, taking a shower, doing laundry or a load of dishes. You can also use a filter certified by an American National Standards Institute accredited certifier to reduce lead in drinking water. If you are concerned about lead in your water and wish to have your water tested, contact your local water system. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Service Line Inventory Information:

To address lead in drinking water, EPA requires that all community water systems develop and maintain an inventory of service line materials. We have completed a service line inventory (SLI) and it is available for review at our office or go to <https://pws-pld.120wateraudit.com/madisonvilleky>.

Lead Sample Results Availability Information:

We are required to periodically sample water from customer taps to determine lead and copper levels. EPA sets the lead action level at 0.015 mg/L (15 ppb). For a water system to be in compliance, at least 90% of tap water samples must have lead levels below this limit. This report contains the 90th percentile and range of our most recent sampling. The individual results for each location sampled can be reviewed at 850 Lake Peewee Road, Madisonville.

We are only required to test for some contaminants periodically, so the results listed in this report may not be from the previous year. Only detected contaminants are included in this report. For a list of all contaminants we test for please contact us. Copies of this report are available upon request by contacting our office.

Regulated Contaminant Test Results										Madisonville Water Department			
Contaminant (units)	MCL	MCLG	Report Level	Range of Detection	Date of Sample	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination						
Barium (ppm)	2	2	0.021	0.021 to 0.021	Feb-25	No	Dilling wastes, metal refineries, erosion of natural deposits						
Fluoride (ppm)	4	4	0.91	0.91 to 0.91	Feb-25	No	Water additive which promotes strong teeth						
Nitrate (ppm)	10	10	0.244	0.244 to 0.244	Feb-25	No	Fertilizer runoff, leaching from septic tanks, sewage, erosion of natural deposits						
Disinfectants/Disinfection Byproducts and Precursors													
Total Organic Carbon (ppm) measured as ppb, but reported as a ratio)	TT*	N/A	1.18 (lowest average)	0.70 to 1.62 (monthly ratios)	2/25	No	Naturally present in environment						
Chlorine (ppm)	MREI = 4	MROG = 4	1.51 (highest average)	0.34 to 2.61	2/25	No	Water additive used to control microbes						
HAA (ppb) (Stage 2) (haloacetic acids)	60	N/A	39 (high site average)	17 to 43 (range of individual sites)	2/25	No	By product of drinking water disinfection						
THM (ppb) (Stage 2) (total trihalomethanes)	80	N/A	56 (high site average)	14 to 82 (range of individual sites)	2/25	No	By product of drinking water disinfection						
Household Plumbing Contaminants													
Copper (ppm) Round 1 site-exceeding action level = 0	AL = 1.3	1.3	0.142 (99th percentile)	0.006 to 0.2	Jul-24	No	Composition of household plumbing systems						
Lead (ppb) Round 1 site-exceeding action level = 1	AL = 15	0	0 (99th percentile)	0 to 24	Jul-24	No	Composition of household plumbing systems						
Other Constituents													
Turbidity (NTU) TT	Allowable Levels	Highest Single Measurement	Lowest Monthly %	Violation									
* Representative samples Turbidity is a measure of the clarity of the water and not a contaminant	No more than 1 NTU in 95% of monthly samples Less than 0.3 NTU in 95% of monthly samples	0.05	100	No	Likely Source of Turbidity Soil runoff								

Unregulated Contaminants (UCMR 5)	average	range (ppb)	date
perfluorobutanoic acid (PFBA)	0.003	0 to 0.0068	Oct-25

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.

Fluoride (added for dental health)	Average		Range of Detection	
	0.8	0.68	to	0.92
Sodium (EPA guidance level = 20 mg/L)	8.1	8.08	to	8.08

Secondary contaminants do not have a direct impact on the health of consumers. They are being included to provide additional information about the quality of the water.

Secondary Contaminant	Maximum Allowable Level	Report Level	Range of Detection	Date of Sample
Chloride	250 mg/l	10.5	10.5 to 10.5	Feb-25
Copper	1.0 mg/l	0.005	0.005 to 0.005	Feb-25
Corrosivity	Noncorrosive	-1.31	-1.31 to -1.31	Feb-25
Fluoride	2.0 mg/l	0.9	0.9 to 0.9	Feb-25
pH	6.5 to 8.5	7.5	7.5 to 7.5	Feb-25
Sulfate	250 mg/l	33.4	33.4 to 33.4	Feb-25
Total Dissolved Solids	500 mg/l	106	106 to 106	Feb-25

Level 1 Assessment: A Level 1 assessment is a study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system.

Coliforms are bacteria that are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentially harmful, waterborne pathogens may be present or that a potential pathway exists through which contamination may enter the drinking water distribution system. We found coliforms indicating the need to look for potential problems in water treatment or distribution. When this occurs, we are required to conduct assessments to identify problems and to correct any problems that were found during these assessments.

During the past year we were required to conduct one Level 1 assessment. One Level 1 assessment was completed. In addition, we were required to take two corrective actions and we completed two of these actions.