

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

TACNA WATER COMPANY Has Levels of Arsenic Above Drinking Water Standards

Our water system, TACNA WATER COMPANY, 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 for an arsenic sample taken on September 18, 2023 and again on October 24, 2023 by Tacna Water Management Company show that **our system is currently exceeding the health standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL) for arsenic.**

The standard for arsenic is based on an annual average exposure of 10 parts per billion. The annual average level of arsenic in our water system over the last 12 months has been 20 parts per billion.

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?

We are continuing to monitor for arsenic quarterly. This system will soon be replaced with a new water distribution system under the Yuma County Improvement District No. 2017-02 (Tacna Water). The final design has been approved and the District has started construction on the new system. Surface water will be the source of water for Tacna residents when the system is completed, which should not have the same arsenic levels as current groundwater sources. We will keep you informed with information as it becomes available.

For more information, please contact Tacna Water Company at 928.341.9685 or 4743 E 30th Place, Yuma, Arizona 85365.

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