

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER
OAK CREEK WATER DISTRICT, PWS # 13041
Has Levels of Arsenic Above Drinking Water Standards

Our water system Oak Creek Water Co. No. 1 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 did (are doing) to correct this situation.

We routinely monitor of the presence of drinking water contaminants. Testing results we received for the 1st quarter of 2021 show that our system exceeds the standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL), for arsenic. The standard for arsenic is 10 parts per billion (ppb). The test results for this quarter were an average of 10.5 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?

The drawings for the new arsenic system have been complete and are being sent to ADEQ and USDA for their review and approval. Once that process is complete the project will be bid. It is estimated that construction should be completed before the end of the year.

For more information, please contact Doug Bowen, Board of Directors President or Jim Reider, Water Operator at (928) 282-3404 or at 90 Oak Creek Blvd., Sedona, AZ 86336.

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

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