IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER
Shepard Water Company PWS # 04 14-014
Has Levels of Arsenic Above Drinking Water Standards

Our water system Shepard 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 did (are doing) to correct this situation.

We routinely monitor of the presence of drinking water contaminants. Testing results we received on 11/17/2021 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 average level of arsenic over the last year has been 11 ppb.

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?

ADEQ is working with our operators and engineers to rectify the problem. We anticipate resolving the problem as soon as possible.

For more information, please contact Phil Johnson at 928-783-9589 ext #4 or billing@martinezlake.com

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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