



## Notice of Drinking Water Total Haloacetic Acids Violation

Dear Residents,

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has notified the **Buena Vista WS Burnet, TX0270008** that the drinking water being supplied to customers has exceeded the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for haloacetic acids (group of five). The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has established the MCL for haloacetic acids (group of five) 0.060 milligrams per liter (mg/L) based on locational running annual average (LRAA) and has determined that it is a health concern at levels above the MCL. Analysis of drinking water in your community for haloacetic acids (group of five) indicates a compliance value in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2023 of 0.082 mg/L at DBP2-01.

Haloacetic Acids are a group of volatile organic compounds that are formed when chlorine, added to the water during the treatment process for disinfection, reacts with naturally occurring organic matter in the water.

Some people who drink water containing HAA5 in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

You do not need to use an alternative water supply. However, if you have health concerns, you may want to talk to your doctor to get more information about how this may affect you.

We are taking the following actions to address this issue:

1. We have lowered the amount of chlorine being fed into the distribution system.
2. We continue to maximize our flushing program to help clear the system.

We will continue to monitor the Maximum Contaminant Level and make any further necessary modifications.

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

If you have any questions regarding this matter or need further information, contact: Natalia Espitia with H2O Innovation at (281) 355-1312.

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