

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Monthly Reporting Requirements Not Met by the Cimarron Water System

Our water system recently violated a drinking water regulation. 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 are required to submit turbidity data and chlorine levels to the State on a monthly basis. This requirement has not been met in September 2020.

What does this mean?

Reporting in itself is not an emergency. However, **please continue to boil your water before using.**

Monitoring and reporting turbidity and chlorine levels in your water are important in ensuring safe water to all our customers. **Chlorine is added to the water to inactivate bacteria that may be present. Turbidity has no health effects. However, turbidity can interfere with disinfection and provide a medium for microbial growth. Turbidity may indicate the presence of disease causing organisms. These organisms include bacteria, viruses, and parasites which can cause symptoms such as nausea, cramps, diarrhea, and associated headaches. * These symptoms are not caused only by organisms in drinking water. If you experience any of these symptoms and they persist, you may want to seek medical advice.*

September bacti samples were not taken/accepted to the laboratory due to incomplete information
The water advisory remains in effect.

What should I do?

Please continue to boil your water or to use an alternative (e.g., bottled) water supply. Additionally, if you have specific health concerns, please contact your health care professional.

What is being done?

- The Village will ensure completed monthly reports are submitted to the state.
- The Village has immediately coordinated with NM Environment Department to resolve this issue.
- Current equipment is scheduled to be recalibrated, updated, and inspected to ensure it is in operational working order
- The Water Treatment Plant Rehabilitation Project has been awarded and all equipment will be updated.

We anticipate resolving the problem within 30 days.

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**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.*