PUBLIC NOTICE

Northwest Rural Water District

Important Information About your Drinking Water

Due to Laboratory Equipment Failure
Northwest Rural Water District Monitoring Requirements Not Met for
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHMs) and Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)

Northwest Rural Water District is required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of this monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. Northwest Rural Water District submitted the required samples during the established monitoring period 08/01/2023 to 08/31/2023 but unfortunately due to laboratory equipment failure those samples were not analyzed during the established time frame.

What should I do?

This is <u>not</u> an emergency and there is nothing you need to do at this time; however, as our customer you have a right to know.

TTHMs are a group of byproducts of drinking water disinfection and include: chloroform, bromodichloromethane, bromoform, and dibromochloromethane.

HAA5s are also a group of byproducts of drinking water disinfection and include: monochloroacetic acid, dichloracetic acid, trichloroacetic acid, monobromoacetic acid, and dibromoacetic acid.

What happened? What is being done?

Our water samples for HAA5 and TTHMs were not analyzed during the required time period due to laboratory equipment failure.

Northwest Rural Water District regrets that this error in meeting these requirements occurred. It is recognized that a complete, timely monitoring program is of great value in making certain that safe drinking water is provided to all consumers. Steps have been taken to ensure that monitoring and analysis will be performed on time in the future.

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.

For further information, please contact Northwest Rural Water District at 701-774-8915.