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IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable.
Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

The Mariposa Public Utility District (MPUD)
Has Levels of Perfluorohexane Sulfonic Acid (PFHxS)

Above the Response Level, MPUD Well 06

Under General Order DW 2024-0002-DDW the MPUD water system was required to test ground water sources for Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS). You are receiving this notification because MPUD Well 06 tested above the response level for one of the twenty-five PFAS analytes.

The MPUD water system recently confirmed a detection of PFHxS above the public health-based response level at MPUD Well 06. PFHxS has been shown to interfere with levels of thyroid hormones. As our customers, you have a right to know what you should do, what happened, and what we are doing to correct this situation.

MPUD routinely monitors drinking water contaminants. On January 28, 2025, results from MPUD Well 06 showed PFHxS levels of 34 nanograms per liter. A follow-up confirmation resample indicated levels of 38 nanograms per liter. This is above the State Water Board established response level of 20 nanograms per liter.

As background, PFAS are manmade compounds that have been used to make carpets, clothing, fabrics for furniture, paper packaging for food, and other materials (e.g., cookware) that are resistant to water, grease, or stains.

MPUD currently has four water wells in operation located within the service boundaries. MPUD Wells 06 and 05 along with surface water treated at the water plant are blended, and supply water to distribution zones 1 (town area) and 2 (Smith Road area). Rate payers within water distribution zones 1 and 2 are receiving this notice.

What should I do?

- **If YOU ARE PREGNANT OR BREAST FEEDING, DO NOT DRINK THE WATER. DO NOT USE THE WATER TO MAKE INFANT FORMULA.** Thyroid hormones are needed for normal prenatal growth and development of the fetus, as well as for normal growth and development in the infant and child. In adults, thyroid hormones are needed for normal metabolism and mental function.
- **DO NOT BOIL THE WATER.** Boiling, freezing, filtering, or letting water stand does not reduce the PFHxS level.
- If you have other health issues concerning the consumption of this water, you may wish to consult your doctor.

The water system is in communication with the State Water Resources Control Board Division of Drinking Water to find a solution.

For more information, please contact Susan Wages at 209-966-2515 or P.O. Box 494, Mariposa, CA 95338.

More information about PFAS in drinking water can be found at the Division of Drinking Water: www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking_water/certlic/drinkingwater/pfas.html

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 business). You can do this by posting this public notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or by mail.

This notice is being sent to you by the Mariposa Public Utility District.

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