

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

The City of Junction has violated the monitoring and reporting requirements set by Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) in chapter 30, Section 290, Subchapter F. Even though these were not emergencies, as our customers, you have the right to know what happened and what we are doing to correct these situations.

We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. During June 1- Sept. 30, 2015 we did not monitor or test for Lead & Copper and therefore cannot be sure of the quality of your drinking water during that time.

The table below lists the contaminants we did not properly test for during the last year, how often we are supposed to sample for lead & copper, how many samples we are supposed to take, how many samples we took, when samples should have been taken, and the date on which the follow-up samples will be taken.

| Contaminant                  | Required sampling frequency  | Number of samples taken | When samples should have been taken | When samples will be taken |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Lead & Copper water sampling | 10 samples every three years | 0                       | June 1 – Sept 30, 2015              | June 1 – Sept 30, 2016     |

### What is being done?

We are working to correct the problem. For more information, please contact Patrick Kelley, Water Superintendent, at (325)446-6554, or Kristi Bannowsky, City Secretary, at (325)446-3880, or 730 main St. Junction, TX 76849.

The City of Junction will perform the required sampling at the earliest acceptable time. This will be done to ensure the quality of the water provided to our customers.

Please share this information with all other people who drink this water, especially those people 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 place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

This notice is being sent to you by City of Junction. Public Water System Number: TX1340001

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The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has notified the City of Junction TX1340001 that the drinking water being supplied to customers had exceeded the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for total trihalomethanes. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has established the MCL for total trihalomethanes to be 0.080 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 total trihalomethanes indicates a compliance value in quarter four 2015 of 0.087 mg/l for DBP2-01.

Trihalomethanes 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 trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidney, or central nervous systems, and 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:

- Increased main line flushing in the affected area ( NE Junction near the cemetery on Camino Rio).
- Maintaining a slightly lower than average free chlorine residual

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## **SURFACE WATER MONITORING, ROUTINE MAJOR**

The City of Junction PWS ID TX1340001, has violated the monitoring and reporting requirements set by Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) in Chapter 30, Section 290, Subchapter F. Public water systems that treat surface water and/or groundwater under the direct influence of surface water are required to submit monthly operating reports with operational data of the water provided to their customers.

We failed to report the following constituents; Surface Water Monthly Operations Report (SWMOR).

This violation occurred in the monitoring period of October, 2015.

Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not your drinking water is safe. We did not complete all reporting for surface water constituents, and therefore TCEQ cannot be sure of the safety of your drinking water during that time.

We are taking the following actions to address this issue.

- Mailed in the completed October, 2015 SWMOR.
- Adding the reporting responsibility to other departments to add redundancy in the reporting process.

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