

PUBLIC NOTICE

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER Monitoring Requirements Not Met for Mountainair Water System Water

Our water system recently violated a drinking water standard. Although this is not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we are doing.

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 September 2020, we did not complete all monitoring requirements for Total Coliform and therefore cannot be sure of the quality of our drinking water during that time.

What should you do?

There is nothing you need to do at this time.

What does this mean?

Our water system is required by law to collect two monthly total coliform samples. During this reporting period, we did not collect the required samples.

What happened? What is being done?

Our certified water operator was required to renew his certification by August 31, 2020. He forgot to do so but came in September and October to take samples. After he submitted the October sample, we were notified that the September sample was invalid because of his certification status. We could not retake September's samples, but were able to get October's samples in on time and are valid. The September sample did come back clean but are not valid because of his certification status. He renewed his certification within days of discovering this problem and we are we are currently in compliance.

Date that system collected next valid routine sample: **October 20th, 2020**

(Note: A system will not return to compliance until a lab has analyzed a routine sample).

For more information, please contact Dennis Fulfer at 505-847-2321 or PO Box 115, Mountainair Water System, NM 87036.

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.