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The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has notified the G&W WSC (PWS 0930048) that the drinking water being supplied to customers had exceeded the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for combined radium (-226 & -228). The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has established the MCL for combined radium (-226 & -228) to be 5 pico curies per liter (pCi/L) based on the running annual average (RAA) and has determined that it is a health concern at levels above the MCL. Analysis of drinking water in your community for combined radium (-226 & -228) indicates a compliance value in quarter two 2023 of 7 pCi/L for EP002. (13577 CR 446 Well #6).

This is not an emergency. However, some people who drink water containing radium 226 and/or 228 in excess of the MCL over many years *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 consult your doctor to get more information about how this may affect you.

We are taking the following actions to address this issue:

We are continuously flushing the above wellsite at 13577 CR 446; water sample monitoring quarterly; and are still working on construction of a new well and/ or water treatment plant.

Please share this information with all people who drink this water, especially those 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.

If you have questions regarding this matter, you may contact:

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