

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has notified the G&W WSC TX0930048 (13577 CR 446 Navasota, Tx. / EP002) 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 (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 3 (three) 2024 of 8 pCi/L for EP002.

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 talk to your doctor to get more information about how this may affect you.

We are taking the following actions to address this issue:

We are continuing to flush regularly. Having the water tested quarterly. We are also working with the USDA to secure funding to construct a new water plant to help lower the radium level.

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: James Engledow at 936-372-9858

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