

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 (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 four 2024 of 7 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 the water system regularly. The water from this plant is being sampled quarterly to monitor the radium levels. We are still in process of obtaining funds from the U.S.D.A. and the Texas Water Development Board to help lower the radium levels.

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

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

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