



IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable.
Por favor hable con alguien que lo pueda traducir.

DEL ORO WATER COMPANY RIVER ISLAND DISTRICT ~ Territory 1 Has Levels of Uranium above the Drinking Water Standards

Our water system recently had a monitoring and reporting violation. Although this is not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened, and what we are doing to correct this situation. Del Oro Water is required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not your drinking water meets water quality standards. During the third (3rd) quarter of 2016, we did not conduct sampling at Well No. 2 for Uranium and therefore cannot be sure of the quality of your drinking water during that time. Sampling was conducted on October 4, 2016 and sent to the laboratory for analysis. Uranium results were 36.26 pCi/L. This result is above the Uranium standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL), of 20 pCi/L. Compliance for Uranium is based on a running annual average (RAA) of four consecutive quarterly samples for each well. Because the 3rd quarter of sampling was missed, the RAA is based on sampling results from the 4th quarter of 2015, and the 1st and, 2nd quarters of 2016, giving the current RAA for Well No. 2 of 32.24 pCi/L. This RAA result is above the MCL of 20 pCi/L.

What should I do?

- **You *do not* need to use an alternative (e.g., bottled) water supply.** However, if you have a specific health concern, consult your doctor.
- This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately. However, some people who drink water containing Uranium in excess of the MCL over many years may have kidney problems or an increased risk of getting cancer.
- If you have other health issues concerning the consumption of this water, you may wish to consult your doctor.

What happened and is being done to prevent this from happening again?

While taking routine sample at more than ten (10) well locations, the field technician accidentally left Well No. 2 off of his required testing list. Del Oro Water Co., advised field technician in the future to always verify required testing before submitting to the lab.

What you should do:

There is nothing you need to do at this time. When the error was identified, Del Oro Water immediately took samples.

What steps are being taken to reduce or eliminate the Uranium problem?

Pleasant Valley Canal Surface Water Treatment Plant – Several of the groundwater wells within the River Island Territory 1 and 2 service areas have either elevated or levels of nitrate and radiological contaminants that exceed drinking water standards, as defined under the Division of Drinking Water's drinking water standards.



Del Oro Water Company is addressing the groundwater contamination issue by the proposed installation of a surface water treatment facility that will utilize surface water from the Tule River. The surface water treatment facility will include: a canal diversion structure; raw water conveyance mainlines; chemical treatment systems; storage tank and booster systems; and a modular, package-type, contact adsorption clarification-filtration plant. A treated water mainline will also be constructed to convey water to both Territory 1 and 2 water distribution systems.

The plans and specifications for the water treatment plant were completed in 2014. Regulatory review by both the California Public Utilities Commission and the Division of Drinking Water will follow with anticipated approval. Accordingly, it is anticipated construction of the new water treatment plant will commence and continue through the 2017 and 2018 calendar years.

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).

This notice is being sent to you by Del Oro Water Co., River Island District, T 1

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Secondary Notification Requirements

Upon receipt of notification from a person operating a public water system, the following notification must be given within 10 days [Health and Safety Code Section 116450(g)]:

- *SCHOOLS: Must notify school employees, students, and parents (if the students are minors).*
- *RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROPERTY OWNERS OR MANAGERS (including nursing homes and care facilities): Must notify tenants.*
- *BUSINESS PROPERTY OWNERS, MANAGERS, OR OPERATORS: Must notify employees of businesses located on the property.*

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