



IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Upper Surface Creek Domestic Water Users Association

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

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. On January 25, 2018 we were notified that our system exceeds the maximum contaminant level (MCL) for Total Haloacetic Acids (HAA5). The MCL for Total Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) is .060mg/L. The average level of Total Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) over the last year was .0637mg/L.

What does this mean? What should I do?

- **You do not need to boil your water, use bottled water, or take other actions. If you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.**
- Some people who drink water containing Haloacetic Acids in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
- If you have an infant, severely compromised immune system, are pregnant, or are elderly, you may be at increased risk and should seek advice from your doctor about drinking this water. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by bacteria and other disease-causing organisms are available from EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline 1-800-426-4791.

What is being done?

On January 15, 2018 USCDWUA Board of Directors had a meeting with Filter Tech who presented us with four options to address this problem.

1. Add a 350gpm UltraFlex Color Removal Package (CRP) Membrane System to reduce TOC/DOC.
2. Add a Reverse Osmosis Nano System to reduce Organics.
3. Add a 750gpm Carbon Filter to reduce organics, thereby reducing DBPs.
4. Add a tank aeration system to reduce THMs in the system.

Filter Tech will be conducting tests beginning in March to see which option will be the most effective and economical for us to eliminate this problem. For more information, please contact **Dayton Myers** at daytonmyers@uscdwua.com or 970-856-7199, or P.O. Box 70 Cedaredge, CO 81413.

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.

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