# Roosevelt Lake Ranch Water System Annual Water Quality Report for the year 2024

We are pleased to present this year's Annual Water Quality Report (Consumer Confidence Report) as required by the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA). This report is designed to provide details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to standards set by regulatory agencies. This report is a snapshot of last year's water quality. We are committed to providing you with information because informed customers are our best allies.

The Board of Directors is proud to report that once again, the Roosevelt Lake Ranch Water System experienced no violations of any drinking water sampling requirements during the 2024 reporting year.

\*The water operator did have an unsatisfactory result on the Coliform Bacteria Analysis for June 2024. All required repeat sampling, 1 at the same location, 1 at the source, and 3 in between, were all satisfactory. All follow-up Coliform Bacteria Analysis results have been satisfactory to date. One unsatisfactory initial sample result does not qualify as a violation, and there was NO public health threat.

#### Do I need to take special precautions?

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised people, such as people with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, people who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants, can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their healthcare providers. EPA/Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Water Drinking Hotline (800-426-4791).

#### Basic information about our water system

Our system consists of two groundwater wells that are 281 / 319 feet deep and are located near the intersection of Short Cut Place and Redwine Canyon Rd. The well source number is now SO3 as we have been designated as a wellfield. We have a well capacity of 714 gallons per minute. The present system, as constructed, can allow 421 single-family residential connections.

Our water is treated with chlorine at the rate of one part per million per Health Department Directives. The reason for this treatment is to control any possible bacteria in the water system. This is the only additive in our water. Please note that if your water is not used for extended periods, be sure to let it run for a few minutes to remove water that has been stagnant in your line.

The Health Department has rated our wells with low susceptibility to contamination because our wells are deep and because our water quality results to date indicate no impacts from surface activities.

# Some water quality background information as provided by the Department of Health:

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least some small amounts of contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791). The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity:

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, that may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.

inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, can be naturally occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.

pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses.

organic Chemical Contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes, petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.

radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

To ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water that must provide the same protection for public health.

### How can I get involved?

Monthly board meetings are the 2nd Wednesday of each Month at 4:00 PM at the Lincoln Fire Station, Board President: Dustin Penwell: 1-509-339-8336-x1

#### **Description of Water Treatment Process**

Your water is treated by disinfection. Disinfection involves the addition of chlorine or another disinfectant to kill dangerous bacteria and microorganisms that may be in the water. Disinfection is considered to be one of the major public health advances of the 20th century.

#### Water Conservation Tips

Did you know that the average U.S. household uses approximately 400 gallons of water per day, or 100 gallons per person per day? Luckily, there are many low-cost and nocost ways to conserve water. Small changes can make a big difference - try one today, and soon it will become second nature.

- Take short showers a 5-minute shower uses 4 to 5 gallons of water compared to up to 50 gallons for a bath.
- Shut off water while brushing your teeth, washing your hair, and shaving, and save up to 500 gallons a month.
- Use a water-efficient showerhead. They're inexpensive, easy to install, and can save you up to 750 gallons a month.
- Run your clothes washer and dishwasher only when they are full. You can save up to 1,000 gallons a month.
- Water plants only when necessary.
- Fix leaky toilets and faucets. Faucet washers are inexpensive and take only a few minutes to replace. To check your toilet for a leak, place a few drops of food coloring in the tank and wait. If it seeps into the toilet bowl without flushing, you have a leak. Fixing it or replacing it with a new, more efficient model can save up to 1,000 gallons a month.
- Adjust sprinklers so only your lawn is watered. Apply water only as fast as the soil
  can absorb it and during the cooler parts of the day to reduce evaporation.
- Teach your kids about water conservation to ensure a future generation that uses water wisely. Make it a family effort to reduce next month's water bill!
- Visit <u>www.epa.gov/watersense</u> for more information.

#### Source Water Protection Tips

Protection of drinking water is everyone's responsibility. You can help protect your community's drinking water source in several ways:

- Eliminate excess use of lawn and garden fertilizers and pesticides they contain hazardous chemicals that can reach your drinking water source.
- Pick up after your pets.
- If you have your own septic system, properly maintain your system to reduce leaching to water sources, or consider connecting to a public water system.
- Dispose of chemicals properly; take used motor oil to a recycling center.
- Volunteer in your community. Find a watershed or wellhead protection organization in your community and volunteer to help. If there are no active groups, consider starting one. Use EPA's Adopt Your Watershed to locate groups in your community or visit the Watershed Information Network's How to Start a Watershed Team.

 Organize a storm drain stenciling project with your local government or water supplier. Stencil a message next to the street drain, reminding people "Dump No Waste - Drains to River" or "Protect Your Water." Produce and distribute a flyer for households to remind residents that storm drains dump directly into your local water body.

#### Additional Information for Lead

The system inventory does not include lead service lines.

The water operator researched the Lincoln County website to determine whether construction dates for homes and service lines were before or after 1986. The operator also studied maps and as-builts to determine the material and installation dates of different service areas in the water system. A meeting was held with the contractor, who had data on original installation dates as well as materials used during installation.

Lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. ROOSEVELT LAKE RANCH is responsible for providing high-quality drinking water and removing lead pipes, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components in your home. You share the responsibility for protecting yourself and your family from the lead in your home plumbing. You can take responsibility by identifying and removing lead materials within your home plumbing and taking steps to reduce your family's risk. Before drinking tap water, flush your pipes for several minutes by running your tap, taking a shower, doing laundry, or running a load of dishes. You can also use a filter certified by an American National Standards Institute-accredited certifier to reduce lead in drinking water. If you are concerned about lead in your water and wish to have your water tested, contact ROOSEVELT LAKE RANCH (Public Water system ID: WA47283) by calling 509-977-1238 or emailing rlrws.wo@gmail.com. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available at http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.

# Water Quality Data Table

To ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The table below lists all the drinking water contaminants that we detected during the calendar year of this report. Although many more contaminants were tested, only those substances listed below were found in your water. All sources of drinking water contain some naturally occurring contaminants. At low levels, these substances are generally not harmful in our drinking water. Removing all contaminants would be extremely expensive, and in most cases, would not provide increased protection of public health. A few naturally occurring minerals may improve the taste of drinking water and have nutritional value at low levels. Unless otherwise noted, the data presented in this table are from testing done in the calendar year of the report. The EPA or the State requires us to monitor certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentration of these contaminants does not vary significantly from year to year, or the system is not considered vulnerable to this type of contamination. As such, some of our data, though representative, may be more than one year old. In this table, you will find terms and abbreviations that might not be familiar to you. To help you better understand these terms, we have provided the definitions below the table.

Contaminants	MCLG or MRDLG	MCL, TT, or MRDL		Range				ĺ
				Low	High	Sample Date	Violation	Typical Source
Disinfectants & Disin	fection B	y-Prod	ucts					
(There is convincing excontaminants)	vidence th	at the a	ddition o	of a di	sinfect	tant is ne	cessary for	control of microbial
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) (ppb)	NA	60	0.99	NA	NA	2024	No	By-product of drinking water chlorination
TTHMs [Total Trihalomethanes] (ppb)	NA	80	6.72	NA	NA	2024	No	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Inorganic Contamina	nts							200
Nitrate [measured as Nitrogen] (ppm)	10	10	1.55	NA	NA	2024	No	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits
Microbiological Cont	aminants		50				3	
Total Coliform (RTCR) (% positive samples/month)	NA	т	NA	NA	NA	2024	No	Naturally present in the environment
Radioactive Contami	nants							
Radium (combined 226/228) (pCi/L)	00	5	0.0994	NA	NA	2024	No	Erosion of natural deposits

#### **Violations and Exceedances**

samples/month

NA

ND

NR

There were no violations or exceedances for 2024.

# **Additional Contaminants**

To ensure the safest water possible, the State has required us to monitor some contaminants not required by Federal regulations. Of those contaminants, only the ones listed below were found in your water.

Contaminants	Contaminants State MCL		Violation	Explanation and Comment			
Gross Alpha	15 PCi/L	3 PCi/L	No				
Unit Descriptions	00000						
Term	Ĭ	Definition					
ppm		ppm: parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/L)					
ppb	100	ppb: parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (μg/L)					
pCi/L	8 8	pCi/L: picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)					
% positive	% pos	% positive samples/month: Percent of samples taken monthly that were					

positive

NA: not applicable

ND: Not detected

NR: Monitoring not required but recommended.

Important Drinking Water Definitions						
Term	Definition					
MCLG	MCLG: Maximum Contaminant Level Goal: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.					
MCL	MCL: Maximum Contaminant Level: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.					
π	TT: Treatment Technique: A required process intended to reduce the level of contaminants in drinking water.					
AL	AL: Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant that, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system must follow.					
Variances and Exemptions	Variances and Exemptions: State or EPA permission not to meet an MCL or a treatment technique under certain conditions.					
MRDLG	MRDLG: Maximum residual disinfection level goal. The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.					
MRDL	MRDL: Maximum residual disinfectant level. The highest level of disinfectant is allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that the addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.					
MNR	MNR: Monitored Not Regulated					
MPL	MPL: State Assigned Maximum Permissible Level					
90th Percentile	Compliance with the lead and copper action levels is based on the 90th percentile lead and copper levels. This means that the concentration of lead and copper must be less than or equal to the action level in at least 90% of the samples collected.					

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