

## What is a Consumer Confidence Report (CCR)?

We proudly present our Annual Water Quality Report, also referred to as a CCR. CCRs provide customers with important information regarding the quality of their drinking water. They let customers know what contaminants, if any, were detected in their drinking water, as well as associated potential health effects. We are pleased to report the results of the laboratory testing of your drinking water during the calendar year of 2025. For your information, we have compiled a list of tables showing the testing of your drinking water during 2025.

### Our Mission

Central States Water Resources (CSWR) is working to bring safe, reliable, and environmentally responsible water resources to every community in the U.S.

### Our Vision

CSWR is transforming how water utilities work by using technology and innovation to quickly assess and invest in reliable infrastructure that meets or exceeds stringent state and federal safety standards, ensuring all communities across the U.S. have access to safe, clean and reliable water resources while protecting the aquifers, lakes, rivers and streams that are essential to our world.



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Utility Operating Company  
A CSWR Managed Utility

## Center Ridge Water PWS ID KY0180549 Annual Water Quality Report 2025

Puede solicitar una copia en español de su Informe de Confianza del Consumidor llamando al 1-866-752-8982 o enviando un correo electrónico a [support@bluegrasswateruoc.com](mailto:support@bluegrasswateruoc.com).

### ATTENTION: Landlords and Apartment Owners!

Please share a copy of this notice with your tenants. It includes important information about their drinking water quality.

## 2025 ANNUAL DRINKING WATER QUALITY REPORT

PWS ID#: KY0180549

We are pleased to present our Annual Drinking Water Quality Report to you covering the period from January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025. This report is a summary of the quality of the water we provide to our customers. The analysis was made by using the data from the most recent U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) required tests. We hope this information helps you become more knowledgeable about what's in your drinking water.

### Where Does Our Drinking Water Come From?

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. **Your water source: Groundwater.**

### Source Water Assessment

There are a total of twenty-seven potential sources of contamination within the Center Ridge Water System's wellhead protection area. All the potential sources have been identified as septic systems and are ranked as having a medium risk to contamination of the aquifer. The aquifer has been determined to have a medium risk ranking.

### What Contaminants Can Be In Our Drinking Water?

As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, 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, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- **Inorganic** contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water 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 storm water runoff, and residential uses.
- **Organic** chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.
- **Radioactive** contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

### Am I at Risk?

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

### Special Health Information

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons 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 health care 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).

### Lead and Drinking Water

Lead can cause serious health effects in people of all ages, especially pregnant people, infants (both formula-fed and breastfed), and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and parts used in service lines and in home plumbing. Bluegrass UOC is responsible for providing high quality drinking water and removing lead pipes but cannot control the variety of materials used in the plumbing in your home. Because lead levels may vary over time, lead exposure is possible even when your tap sampling results do not detect lead at one point in time. You can help protect yourself and your family by identifying and removing lead materials within your home plumbing and taking steps to reduce your family's risk. Using a filter, certified by an American National Standards Institute accredited certifier to reduce lead, is effective in reducing lead exposures. Follow the instructions provided with the filter to ensure the filter is used properly. Use only cold water for drinking, cooking, and making baby formula. Boiling water does not remove lead from water. Before using tap water for drinking, cooking, or making baby formula, flush your pipes for several minutes. You can do this by running your tap, taking a shower, doing laundry or a load of dishes. If you have a lead service line or galvanized requiring replacement service line, you may need to flush your pipes for a longer period. If you are concerned about lead in your water and wish to have your water tested, contact Bluegrass UOC at 1-866-752-8982. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available at <https://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.





### All Drinking Water May Contain Contaminants

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some 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 EPA Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

### How to Participate

Protecting drinking water at its source is an important part of the process to treat and deliver high quality water. It takes a community effort to protect shared resources. This includes utilities, businesses, residents, government and non-profit organizations.

### What can you do?

-  Properly dispose of pharmaceuticals, household chemicals, oils and paints.
-  Clean up after your pets and limit the use of fertilizers and pesticides.
-  Take part in watershed activities or volunteer outreach programs.
-  Clean up heating or fuel tank leaks with cat litter. Sweep material and seal in bag. Check with local facility for disposal.

### Lead Service Line Inventory

To address lead in drinking water, public water systems were required to develop and maintain an inventory of service line materials by Oct 16, 2024. Developing an inventory and identifying the location of lead service lines (LSL) is the first step for beginning LSL replacement and protecting public health. The lead service inventory may be viewed online at: <https://centralstateswaterresources.com/kentucky-lsli/>

In compliance with Federal Regulation (40 CFR Part 141 Subpart 1) CSWR finds it necessary for the health and safety of our customers to adopt lead control standards which ban the use of lead materials in the public drinking water system and private plumbing connected to the public drinking water system. For more information, visit [bit.ly/IdentifyingLead](https://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead).

2025 Water Quality Test Results								
Center Ridge Water System KY0180549								
Lead and Copper	Violation Y or N	90 <sup>th</sup> Percentile	Range of levels detected (Low-High)	Number of Samples Exceeds AL	AL	MCLG	Sample Date	Likely Source of Contamination
Copper (ppm)	N	0.013	0 - 2.1	0	1.3	1.3	2025	Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives; Corrosion of household plumbing systems.
Lead (ppb)	N	9.5	0 - 9.5	0	15	0	6/29/2022	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits.
Disinfectants and Disinfection By-Products	Violation Y or N	Highest Level Detected	Range of levels detected (Low-High)	MRDL	MRDLG	Sample Date	Likely Source of Contamination	
Chlorine (ppm)	N	0.7	0.6-0.7	4	4	2025	Water additive used to control microbes.	
Inorganic Contaminants	Violation Y or N	Highest Level Detected	Range of levels detected (Low-High)	MCL	MCLG	Sample Date	Likely Source of Contamination	
Arsenic (ppb)	N	0.73	N/A	10	0	2/22/2023	Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes	
Cadmium (ppb)	N	1	N/A	5	5	2/22/2023	Corrosion of galvanized pipes; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from metal refineries; runoff from waste batteries and paints.	
Nitrate [measured as nitrogen] (ppm)	N	0.43	N/A	10	10	2025	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.	
Selenium (ppb)	N	0.64	N/A	50	50	2/22/2023	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from mines.	
Radioactive Contaminants	Violation Y or N	Highest Level Detected	Range of levels detected (Low-High)	MCL	MCLG	Sample Date	Likely Source of Contamination	
Combined Radium 226/228 (pCi/L)	N	1.23	N/A	5	0	2024	Erosion of natural deposits.	
Gross alpha excluding radon and uranium (pCi/L)	N	1.79	N/A	15	0	2024	Erosion of natural deposits.	

**Health Language:**

Nitrate in drinking water at levels above 10 ppm is a health risk for infants of less than six month of age. High nitrate levels in drinking water can cause "blue baby syndrome." Nitrate levels may rise quickly for short periods of time because of rainfall or agricultural activity. If you are caring for an infant, and detected nitrate levels are above 5 ppm, you should ask advice from your health care provider.

2025 Violations			
Violation Type	Explanation, Health Effects	Time Period	Corrective Action
MONITORING, ROUTINE (DBP), MAJOR: HAA5	We failed to test our drinking water for the contaminant and period indicated. Because of this failure, we cannot be sure of the quality of our drinking water during the period indicated	7/01/2025 - 09/30/2025	The system has returned to compliance by completing the required monitoring and/or reporting and has implemented procedures to ensure all future monitoring and reporting requirements are met on time.
MONITORING, ROUTINE (DBP), MAJOR: TTHM	We failed to test our drinking water for the contaminant and period indicated. Because of this failure, we cannot be sure of the quality of our drinking water during the period indicated	7/01/2025 - 09/30/2025	The system has returned to compliance by completing the required monitoring and/or reporting and has implemented procedures to ensure all future monitoring and reporting requirements are met on time.
QUALIFIED OPERATOR FAILURE	We failed to have an qualified person operate our water system for the period indicated.	12/22/2025	The system returned to compliance on 12/24/2025 after securing a properly licensed and qualified operator. Measures have been implemented to ensure a certified operator is in responsible charge at all times.
FOLLOW-UP OR ROUTINE TAP M/R (LCR)	We failed to test our drinking water for the contaminant and period indicated. Because of this failure, we cannot be sure of the quality of our drinking water during the period indicated.	1/1/2025	In 2026, we instituted a new lead and copper tracking and oversight program. Our compliance coordinators now work in tandem with operators to ensure samples are collected and reported on time.

\*Please share this information with 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.

**Definition of Terms:**

**Action Level (AL):** The concentration of a contaminant, which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system must follow.

**Action Level Goal (ALG):** The level of contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk of health. ALGs allow for a margin of safety.

**Average (Avg):** Regulatory compliance with some MCLs are based on a running annual average of monthly samples.

**Level 1 Assessment:** A study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system.

**Level 2 Assessment:** A very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why an E. coli MCL violation has occurred and/or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system on multiple occasions.

**Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL):** 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.

**Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG):** 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.

**Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL):** The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that the addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

**Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG):** 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.

**Million fibers per Liter (MFL):** A measure of asbestos.

**Millirems per Year (MREM):** A measure of radiation absorbed by the body.

**Not Applicable (NA):** Sampling was not completed by regulation or was not required.

**Not Detected (ND):** Not detectable at reporting limit.

**Nephelometric Turbidity Units (NTU):** Measure of clarity or turbidity of the water.

**Picocuries per liter (pCi/L):** Measure of the natural rate of disintegration of radioactive contaminants in water.

**Parts per million (ppm):** One part substance per million parts water or milligram per liter (mg/l).

**Parts per quadrillion (ppq):** Parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter (pg/L).

**Parts per trillion (ppt):** One part substance per trillion parts water or nanograms per liter (ng/L).

**Treatment Technique (TT):** A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact 1-866-752-8982 or support@bluegrasswateruoc.com.