

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER EL PRADO WATER (AZ0414442) Yuma, County Has Levels of Arsenic Above Drinking Water Standards

Our water system **El Prado** recently violated a drinking water standard. Although this 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 the presence of drinking water contaminants. Testing results we received on June 17, 2024, show that our system exceeds the standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL) for arsenic. The standard for arsenic is 10 ppb. The running annual average (RAA) for Arsenic is 12.3 ppb.

What should I do?

You do not need to use an alternative water supply (such as bottled water). However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.

What does this mean?

This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately. Some people who drink water containing arsenic in excess of the MCL over many years could experience skin damage or problems with their circulatory system and many have an increased risk of getting cancer.

What is being done?

CSWR – Cactus State is exploring the best available technology to address the naturally occurring manganese levels that have impacted the health of the current arsenic treatment. While the level of manganese is not a human health hazard, it is impacting the effectiveness of the current arsenic treatment that is in place. Cactus State values environmental stewardship and providing quality drinking water to its customers.

For more information, please contact Cactus State UOC's customer support at 1-800-670-4869 or at support@cactusstateuoc.com.

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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