

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Monitoring Requirement Not Met Gulf Breeze Regional Water System

In 2024, our water system was made aware that Fairpoint Regional Utility Services (FRUS), which a portion of your drinking water is purchased from, did not collect a subset of drinking water samples between April-September 2023 after a new well was brought online. Although this incident is not an emergency and no action is needed on your part, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened and what we are doing to correct this situation.

While our community’s drinking water comes directly from the pristine Floridan aquifer and requires minimal treatment, we are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants to ensure it meets health standards.

During the third quarter of last calendar year (July-September 2023), FRUS did not monitor for Synthetic Organic Contaminants (SOCs) at **one** of their seven wells. Furthermore, during the second quarter (April-June 2023), FRUS did not monitor for Volatile Organic Contaminants (VOCs), SOC and Radionuclides (RADs) at this same well. Sampling has since commenced at this well, though we cannot be sure of the quality of the drinking water during second and third quarters of 2023 for the following parameters:

VOCs	SOCs	RADs
1,1-Dichloroethylene	Dioxin	Gross Alpha
Styrene	2,4-D	Radium 226
1,1,1-Trichloromethane	Alachlor	Radium 228
Tetrachloroethylene	Atrazine	
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	Benzo(a)pyrene	
Toluene	Carbofuran	
1,2-Dichloroethane	Chlordane	
Trans-1,2-Dichloroethylene	Dalapon	
1,2-Dichloropropane	Di(2-ethylhexyl)adipate	
Trichloroethylene	Di(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate	
1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene	Dibromochloropropane	
Vinyl Chloride	Dinoseb	
Benzene	Diquat	
Xylene (total)	Endothall	
Carbon Tetrachloride	Endrin	
Cis-1,2-Dichloroethylene	Ethylene dibromide (EDB)	
Dichloromethane	Glyphosate	
Ethylbenzene	Heptachlor	
Monochlorobenzene	Heptachlor Epoxide	
o-Dichlorobenzene	Hexachlorobenzene	
Para-Dichlorobenzene	Hexachlorocyclopentadiene	
	Lindane	
	Methoxychlor	
	Oxamyl	
	Pentachlorophenol	
	Picloram	
	Polychlorinated biphenyls	
	Simazine	
	Toxaphene	

Currently, approximately 90 contaminants are regulated under National Primary Drinking Water Regulations established by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. These federal regulations establish enforceable standards called "maximum contaminant levels." These standards are established to protect public health and are calculated so that little or no adverse health risk would be expected based on a lifetime average consumption rate of two liters of water per day for 70 years.

To learn more about the potential health effects from long-term exposure to contaminants, please visit www.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water/table-regulated-drinking-water-contaminants, or contact the Florida Department of Environmental Protection at 850-595-8300.

What should I do?

There is nothing you need do. You do not need to boil your water or take other corrective actions.

What is being done?

On Nov. 29, 2023, FRUS sampled this well for VOCs, SOCs and RADs. No maximum contaminant level (MCL) exceedances for these parameters were reported.

Regular sampling at this well is being conducted and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection is working with FRUS to ensure sampling continues to occur.

For more information, please contact: Jarrett Sebastian at 850-816-8386.

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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