



**Department of Public Works**  
**Special Districts**  
**Water and Sanitation Division**

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**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER**

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable.  
Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

**County Service Area 70, Improvement Zone W-3, Morongo Valley (CSA 70 W-3) Has  
Levels of Uranium above the Drinking Water Standard**

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

The San Bernardino County, Special Districts Department, Water and Sanitation Division (Division) routinely monitors for the presence of drinking water contaminants. Water sampled on October 8, 2020, showed Uranium levels of 18-25 picocuries/per liter (pCi/L). Compliance is based on the Running Annual Average (RAA) of results. The 4th quarter 2020 RAA was 21 pCi/L. This is above the standard or maximum contaminant level (MCL) of 20 pCi/L.

**What should I do?**

- You do not need to use an alternative water supply (e.g., bottled water).
- This is not an immediate risk. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately. However, some people who drink water containing uranium in excess of the MCL over many years may have kidney problems or an increased risk of getting cancer.
- If you have other health issues concerning the consumption of this water, you may wish to consult your doctor.

**What happened? What is being done?**

The Division continues to evaluate long-term solutions to this problem and monitors for uranium on a quarterly basis every year as required by County of San Bernardino Environmental Health Service. This monitoring schedule will establish a profile of the groundwater contamination and provide the most conclusive data for resolving this problem.

For more information, please contact Steve Samaras at 760-955-9885, or the Division at 222 W. Hospitality Lane, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, San Bernardino, CA 92415-0450.

*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 public notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.*

**Secondary Notification Requirements**

Upon receipt of notification from a person operating a public water system, the following notification must be given within 10 days [Health and Safety Code Section 116450(g)]:

- SCHOOLS: Must notify school employees, students, and parents (if the students are minors).
- RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROPERTY OWNERS OR MANAGERS (including nursing homes and care facilities): Must notify tenants.
- BUSINESS PROPERTY OWNERS, MANAGERS, OR OPERATORS: Must notify employees of businesses located on the property.

This notice is being sent to you by the San Bernardino County Public Works Department, Special Districts Water and Sanitation Division on behalf of CSA 70 W-3.

State Water System ID#: 3600114

Date Distributed: October 27, 2020

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## COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATION

Notice of Violation Number: **CC0000038**

Name of Water System: **CSA 70 W-3**

System Number: **3600114**

### Certification

I certify that the customers of the water supplied by this water system were notified of the **uranium maximum contamination level violation** of Title 22, California Code of Regulations (CCR).

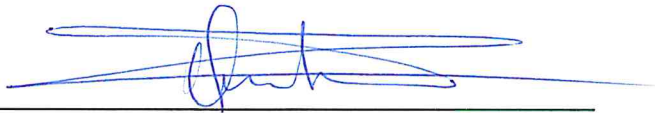
#### Required Action

- Complete Tier 2 Notification, as required in Directive 3
- Public Notification – Continuous Posting for 7 Days
- Water Sample Collected & Analyzed

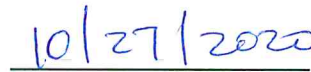
#### Date Completed

October 27, 2020

October 8, 2020



Signature of Water System Representative



Date

**Attach a copy of the notice posted.**

**THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO THE DEPARTMENT NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 10, 2020**

**Disclosure:** Be advised that Section 116725 and 116730 of the California Health and Safety Code states that any person who knowingly makes any false statement on any report or document submitted for the purpose of compliance with the attached order may be liable for a civil penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for each separate violation for each day that violation continues. In addition, the violators may be prosecuted in criminal court and upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$25,000 for each day of violation, or be imprisoned in county jail not to exceed one year, or by both the fine and imprisonment.