



Duck Lake Water

2024 Water Quality Report

The Duck Lake Water Association is pleased to present this year's annual Water Quality Report. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually provide safe and dependable drinking water. This report is a summary of testing results conducted within the last five years. The report lists all regulated contaminants that were found in any amount during the most recent round of testing for a particular contaminant. Every year, monthly tests are performed on Duck Lake's drinking water. We are proud to announce that your drinking water quality meets all state and federal drinking water standards and is safe to drink.

If you have any questions about this report or concerns about your water, please contact Melissa Ames-Tibbits, Water Distribution Manager, at 509-429-3290 or use the contact us section on our website at duckwater.org. For billing questions please call Talana Lay at 509-322-5973. The Duck Lake Water Association wants our consumers to be informed about their water service provider. If you want to learn more about public participation or attend our regularly scheduled meetings, please contact us at the email or phone number above or go to our website at duckwater.org.

INFORMATION FROM THE EPA

The sources of drinking water (both tap 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, parasites and bacteria, which may come from septic systems, livestock, and wildlife.

Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, wastewater discharges, and 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 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.

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's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the Department of Health and EPA prescribe regulations

that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The food and

Drug Administration (FDA) and the Washington Department of Agriculture regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water that must provide a similar degree of safety.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immunocompromised 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/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (1-800-426-4791).

Este informe contiene informacion muy importante sobre su agua beber. Traduzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

2023 Water Quality Information

Duck Lake Water: PWSID #20200A

The water quality information presented in the tables is in accordance with state and federal regulations. To understand the possible health effects associated with regulated constituents, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of having the associated health risk.

Inorganic Contaminants

| Contaminant | Violation (Y/N) | Sample Date | Highest Level Detected | Range of Detections | MCL | MCLG | Likely Source of Contamination |
|----------------|-----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|-----|------|---|
| Nitrate (ppm)* | No | June 2023 Dec 2022 | 1.91 (S03) 1.99 (S03) | One Sample | 10 | 10 | Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks; sewage; erosion of natural deposits |
| Arsenic (ppb) | No | June 2018 | 1.4 (S04) | One Sample | 10 | 0 | Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes |
| Fluoride (ppm) | No | June 2018 | 0.30 (S04) | One Sample | 4 | 4 | Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories |
| Selenium (ppb) | No | June 2018 | 5.4 | One Sample | 50 | 50 | Erosion of natural deposits; discharge from petroleum and metal refineries |

Lead and Copper - Ten Sites Sampled

| Contaminant | Violation (Y/N) | Sample Date | 90 th Level Detected | Range of Detections | MCL | MCLG | Likely Source of Contamination |
|--------------|-----------------|-------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------|------|--|
| Lead (ppb)** | No | June 2018 | 2.4 | ND – 2.7 | 15 (AL) | 0 | Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits |
| Copper (ppm) | No | June 2018 | .314 | ND – 0.359 | 1.3 (AL) | 1.3 | Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits |

Radioactive Contaminants

| Contaminant | Violation (Y/N) | Sample Date | Highest Level Detected | Range of Detections | MCL | MCLG | Likely Source of Contamination |
|---------------------|-----------------|-------------|------------------------|---------------------|-----|------|---|
| Gross Alpha (pCi/L) | No | March 2022 | 7.16 (S01) | One Sample | 15 | 0 | Certain minerals are radioactive and may emit a form of radiation known as alpha radiation. Some people who drink water containing alpha emitters in excess of the MCL over many years have increased risk of getting cancer. |

** Lead and Copper 90th percentile: Out of every 10 homes sampled, 9 were at or below this level.

Infants and young children are typically more vulnerable to lead in drinking water than the general population. It is possible that lead levels at your home may be higher than that at other homes in the community as a result of materials used in your home's plumbing. If you are concerned about elevated lead levels in your home's water, you may wish to have your water tested. Flush your tap water for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using tap water to reduce lead content. Additional Information is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline, 800-426-4791.

*Nitrate in drinking water at levels above 10 ppm is a health risk for infants of less than six months 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, you should ask for advice from your local health care provider.

Definitions

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| <p>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.</p> <p>MCLG (Maximum Contaminant Level Goal): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known</p> | <p>ppm: parts per million</p> <p><u>One part per million (ppm) is:</u></p> <p>3 drops in 42 gallons</p> | <p>ppb: parts per billion</p> <p><u>One part per billion (ppb) is:</u></p> <p>1 drop in 14,000 gallons</p> |
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or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
AL (Action Level): The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system must follow.

N/A: Not Applicable

ND: Not Detected

1 second in 12 days

1 penny in \$10,000

1 inch in 16 miles

1 second in 32 years

1 penny in \$10,000,000

1 inch in 16,000 miles

More Information about your water...

Our water source is groundwater drawn from two wells. The wells are located at approximately 87 Johnson Creek Road. The wells are 84 feet deep and supply 80 gallons per minute each.

