

# Consumer Confidence Report for the Public Water System of the City of Venus

This is your water quality report for January 1 to December 31, 2018

CITY OF VENUS provides Purchased Surface Water from the City of Midlothian for our community's water supply. The City of Midlothian purchases raw surface water for treatment from Tarrant Regional Water District. Tarrant Regional Water District's raw surface water comes from Cedar Creek Lake and Richland Chambers Lake. Midlothian also purchases raw surface water for treatment from Trinity River Authority. Trinity River Authority's raw surface water comes from Joe Pool Lake.

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Este reporte incluye información importante sobre el agua para tomar. Para asistencia en español, favor de llamar al telefono (972) 366-3348.

Definitions and Abbreviations

The following tables contain scientific terms and measures, some of which may require explanation.

Action Level:

Avg:

The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

Action Level Goal (ALG):

The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health.

ALGs allow for a margin of safety.

Level 1 Assessment:

Regulatory compliance with some MCLs are based on running annual average of monthly samples.

A Level 1 assessment is 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 Level 2 assessment is 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 or 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 or 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 or MRDL:

The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Maximum residual disinfectant level goal or

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.

MFL million fibers per liter (a measure of asbestos)

mrem: millirems per year (a measure of radiation absorbed by the body)

na: not applicable.

NTU nephelometric turbidity units (a measure of turbidity)

pCi/L picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)

micrograms per liter or parts per billion - or one ounce in 7,350,000 gallons of water. ppb:

milligrams per liter or parts per million - or one ounce in 7,350 gallons of water. ppm:

parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter (pg/L) ppq

ppt parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter (ng/L)

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

#### Information about your Drinking Water

The sources of drinking water (both tap water 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, can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

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 EPAs Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791.

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.

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.

Contaminants may be found in drinking water that may cause taste, color, or odor problems. These types of problems are not necessarily causes for health concerns. For more information on taste, odor, or color of drinking water, please contact the system's business office.

You may be more vulnerable than the general population to certain microbial contaminants, such as Cryptosporidium, in drinking water. Infants, some elderly, or immunocompromised persons such as those undergoing chemotherapy for cancer; persons who have undergone organ transplants; those who are undergoing treatment with steroids; and people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, can be particularly at risk from infections. You should seek advice about drinking water from your physician or health care providers. Additional guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

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If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. We are responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but we cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.

This is an alert about your drinking water and a cosmetic dental problem that might affect children under nine years of age. At low levels, fluoride can help prevent cavities, but children drinking water containing more than 2 milligrams per liter (mg/L) of fluoride may develop cosmetic discoloration of their permanent teeth (dental fluorosis). The drinking water provided by your community water system, the City of Venus had a fluoride concentration of 3.91 (mg/L) from a sample collected on October 11, 2018. The City identified the elevated levels of fluoride were coming from the ground water wells. The City has removed all ground water wells from the potable water system and purchases all potable water from the City of Midlothian at this time. The last fluoride sample taken in The City of Midlothian water system was on February 12, 2019 and the result was a 0.151 (mg/l) which is well below the EPA maximum containment level of 4 (mg/l).

'Dental fluorosis, in its moderate or severe forms, may result in a brown staining and/or pitting of the permanent teeth. This problem occurs only in developing teeth, before they erupt from the gums. Children under nine should be provided with alternative sources of drinking water or water that has been treated to remove the fluoride to avoid the possibility of staining and pitting of their permanent teeth. You may also want to contact your dentist about proper use by young children of fluoride-containing products. Older children and adults may safely drink the water.'

'For more information, please call Andy Wolfe of The City of Venus at 972-366-3348. Some home water treatment units are also available to remove fluoride from drinking water. To learn more about available home water treatment units, you may call NSF International at 1-877-8-NSF-HELP.'

#### Information about Source Water

City of Venus purchases water from the City of Midlothian. The City of Midlothian purchases raw surface water for treatment from Tarrant Regional Water District. Tarrant Regional Water District's raw surface water comes from Cedar Creek Lake and Richland Chambers Lake. Midlothian also purchases raw surface water for treatment from Trinity River Authority. Trinity River Authority's raw surface water comes from Joe Pool Lake

'TCEQ completed an assessment of your source water, and results indicate that some of our sources are susceptible to certain contaminants. The sampling requirements for your water system is based on this susceptibility and previous sample data. Any detections of these contaminants will be found in this Consumer Confidence Report. For more information on source water assessments and protection efforts at our system contact Andy Wolfe at (972) 366-3348

## 2018 Water Quality Test Results

Lead and Copper Date	te Sampled MCLO	Action Level (AL)	90th Percentile	# Sites Over AL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
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Copper	09/15/2016	1.3	1.3	0.08	0	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives; Corrosion of household plumbing systems.
Lead	09/15/2016	0	15	1.9	0	ppb	N	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits.
	Callantian Base		D	MCLG	MOI	W.L.	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Disinfection By- Products	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Individual Samples	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	2018	27	17.6 - 28.9	No goal for the total	60	ppb	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
* The value in the Highe	st Level or Avera	ge Detected colum	nn is the highest	average of all HA	A5 sample ro	esults collected	at a location of	over a year'
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	2018	45	18.6 - 43	No goal for the total	80	ppb	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
* The value in the High	est Level or Aver	age Detected colu	mn is the highest	average of all TT	HM sample	results collecte	d at a location	over a year'
Inorganic Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Individual Samples	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Barium	01/19/2016	0.016	0.016 - 0.016	2	2	ppm	N	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural

Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Individual Samples	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Barium	01/19/2016	0.016	0.016 - 0.016	2	2	ppm	N	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
Fluoride	2018	3	1.41 - 3.91	4	4.0	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Nitrate [measured as Nitrogen]	2018	0.171	0.171 - 0.171	10	10	ppm	N	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.

Radioactive Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Individual Samples	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Beta/photon emitters	2018	5.3	5.3 - 5.3	0	50	pCi/L*	N	Decay of natural and man-made deposits.

<sup>\*</sup>EPA considers 50 pCi/L to be the level of concern for beta particles.

#### Disinfectant Residual

Disinfectant Residual	Year	Average Level	Range of Levels Detected	MRDL	MRDLG	Unit of Measure	Violation (Y/N)	Source in Drinking Water
Monochloramine	2018	2.71	.05-4.8 mg/l	4	4	mg/l	N	Water additive used to control microbes.

#### **Violations**

#### **Consumer Confidence Rule**

The Consumer Confidence Rule requires community water systems to prepare and provide to their customers annual consumer confidence reports on the quality of the water delivered by the systems.

Violation Type	Violation Begin	Violation End	Violation Explanation
CCR ADEQUACY/AVAILABILITY/CONTENT	07/01/2018	02/04/2019	We failed to provide to you, our drinking water customers, an annual report that adequately informed you about the quality of our drinking water and the risks from exposure to contaminants detected in our drinking water.

### **2018 Wholesale Consumer Confidence Report**

## Data City of Midlothian - PWS 0700005

Sources: Surface Water from Joe Pool Lake /TRA & Richland Chambers and Cedar Creek Reservoirs /TRWD

**Turbidity:** Maximum monthly turbidity readings ranged from 0.03 to 0.44 NTUs. There were no monthly percentage of turbidity sample limits below the 95%

#### Also the following were detected:

	Date Sampled	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCL	MCLG	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Arsenic	1/25/18	0.0012	ND-0.0012	0.01	0	mg/L	No	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; runoff from glass and electronics production wastes
Atrazine	1/25/18	0.3	0.3-0.3	3	0	Ug/i	No	Runoff from herbicide used on row crops
Barium	1/25/18	0.058	0.058	2	2	mg/L	No	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
Chromium	1/25/18	0.001	0.001	0.1	0.1	mg/L	No	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; erosion of natural deposits
Cyanide (as free cyanide)	1/25/18	0.09	0.06-0.09	0.2	0.2	mg/L	No	Discharge from steel/metal factories; discharge from plastic and fertilizer factories
Di (2-ethylhexyl) phthalate	1/25/18	0.05	0.05	6	0	Ug/I	No	Discharge from rubber and chemical factories
Fluoride	1/25/18	0.315	0.204-0.315	4	4	mg/L	No	Water additive which promotes strong teeth; erosion of natural deposits; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Selenium	1/25/18	0.005-	0.005-0.005	0.05	0.05	mg/L	No	Discharge from petroleum refineries; erosion of natural deposits; discharge from mines

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