

Annual Drinking Water Quality Report 2016
Jenkins Lane Water Company-MD0080023
Charles County, Maryland
April, 2017

We are pleased to present this year's Annual Drinking Water Quality Report. This report is designed to inform you about the quality of the water and services we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring that the quality of your water meets all local, State and Federal standards and regulations.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer who are 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 microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

The source of the drinking water for your system is purchased from Charles County's Bryans Road Water System. The Jenkins Lane Water Company hooked up to the Bryans Road Water System in August 2011.

We are pleased to report that the drinking water in your system is safe and meets Federal and State requirement. The following report is provided in compliance with Federal regulations and will be provided annually. This report outlines the quality of our finished drinking water and what that quality means. If you have any questions concerning this report or any aspect of your water utility, please contact Debbie Carpenter at 301-375-9428.

Although we receive water from the Bryans Road Water System we are still responsible for monitoring the community water system for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. The tables on the following pages show the results of our monitoring for the period of January 1, through December 31, 2016. As water travels over the land or underground, it can pick up substances or contaminants such as microbes, inorganic and organic chemicals, and radioactive substances. All drinking water including bottled drinking water may be reasonable expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. It is important to remember that the presence of these contaminants does not necessarily pose a health risk.

Definitions

In this report, you will find many terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms, we've provided the following definitions:

Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l) - one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter - one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

Action Level - the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

Maximum Contaminant Level - The "Maximum Allowed" (MCL) is 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 - The "Goal"(MCLG) is 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.

Picocuries per liter (pCi/L) - picocuries per liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water.

TEST RESULTS						
Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Unit Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Inorganic Contaminants						
Chlorine (2016)	N	2	ppm	4	4	Water Additive used to control microbes
Volatile Organic Contaminants						
TTHM (Distribution) (2014)	N	2.4	ppb	0	80	By-product of drinking water chlorination
HAA5 (Distribution) (2014)	N	3.1	ppb	0	60	By-product of drinking water chlorination

Note: Test results are for year 2016 or as otherwise indicated; All contaminants are not required to be tested for annually.

The Maryland Dept. of the Environment requires monitoring for some contaminants less than once per year, because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently. Some of our data, though representative, is more than one year old.

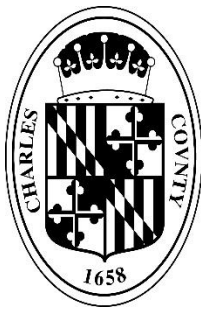
LEAD IN DRINKING WATER

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially pregnant women and your children. Lead in drinking water is primarily materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The Jenkins Lane Water Company is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but 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 before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your drinking 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 EPA Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

The presence of some contaminants in drinking water is unavoidable, but we make every effort to keep our water at or below the levels specified by law as being safe for consumption. Your water system is operated by a licensed operator, who is trained to provide you with the best quality water possible.

Note: Bryans Road CCR Report should be delivered also, since Jenkins Lane gets their water from Charles County.

All customers are urged to participate in protecting this valuable resource and practice conservation to ensure a sustainable water supply for our community.



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Annual Drinking Water Quality Report
Bryans Road Community – MD0080033
Charles County, Maryland
Prepared by the Department of Public Works
Utilities Division**

We are pleased to present the Annual Drinking Water Quality Report for the Bryans Road Community for the period of January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016. This report informs you about the quality of the water and services we deliver to you every day. This report is provided in compliance with Federal regulations and is updated annually.

Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We are committed to protecting water resources, improving the water treatment process, and ensuring the quality of your water meets or exceeds all local, State, and Federal standards and regulations. We are confident the drinking water from the Bryans Road system is safe and meets all Federal and State requirements.

Usted puede obtener esta información en español, llamando al Departamento de Obras Públicas División de Utilidades en 301-609-7400.

The sources of the drinking water for the Bryans Road system are the Patapsco and Patuxent Aquifers. An aquifer is an underground reservoir or deposit of water that is tapped by drilling wells and pumping the water to the surface for distribution. The earth between the surface and the underground aquifer helps to purify the water, making it easier to treat the water supply before it is pumped into the water distribution system. The Bryans Road system is served by 4 wells (Well #6, Strawberry Hills, South Hampton Well #1 and Well #2).

All sources of drinking water are subject to potential contamination by substances that are naturally occurring or manmade, such as microbes, inorganic or organic chemicals, and radioactive substances. 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 the 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 at 1-800-426-4791.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. The elderly, infants, and immunocompromised persons, such as persons with cancer who are undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (HIV/AIDS) or other immune system disorders, can be at a higher risk of infection from contaminants. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. The Environmental Protection Agency/Center for Disease Control (EPA/CDC) guidelines to reduce the risk of infection are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

The Department of Public Works, Utilities Division, routinely monitors the Bryans Road system for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. The following table shows the results of our monitoring efforts and identifies the year a contaminant was tested. The results of testing for contaminants which are not regulated are listed in the Unregulated Contaminants section. Definitions of key terms are presented below the table.

Bryans Road System

Test Results						
Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Unit Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Major Source in Drinking Water
Radioactive Contaminants						
Alpha emitters	N	5.4	pCi/L	0	15	Erosion of natural deposits
Inorganic Contaminants						
Fluoride	N	0.79	Ppm	4	4	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Lead Distribution (2014)	N	0	Ppb	0	AL= 15	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits
Copper Distribution (2014)	N	0.052	Ppm	1.3	AL= 1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing system; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
Volatile Organic Contaminants						
TTHMs [Total Trihalomethanes] Distribution	N	13.0	Ppb	0	80	By-product of drinking water chlorination
HAA5s Haloacetic Acids Distribution	N	5.6	Ppb	0	60	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Disinfectants						
Chlorine	N	0.8 to 2.2	Ppm	MRDLG 4	MRDL 4	Water additives to control microbes.

Unregulated Contaminants						
Sodium So. Hampton (2012)		56.5				
Well 6 (2012)		70.6				
Str Hills Well (2013 Avg)	N	60.7	Ppm	N/A	N/A	Erosion of natural deposits

Definitions of Key Terms

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- Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (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 Contaminant Level (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 Residual Disinfection Level (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 (MRDLG) – The level of 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 of microbial contaminants.
- Non-Detects (ND) – The laboratory analysis indicates the contaminant is non-detectable.

- Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter (µg/L) – The equivalent of 1 minute in 2,000 years or a single penny in \$10,000,000.00
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- Picocuries per liter (pCi/L) – A measure of the radioactivity in water.
- Avg – average value

MCLs are set at very stringent levels. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated contaminants, 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 experiencing adverse health effects from the contaminant. The presence of some contaminants in drinking water is unavoidable, but we make every effort to keep your drinking water at or below the levels specified by law as being safe for consumption.

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Conserving water saves you money!

Approximately sixty percent of total household water supply is used inside the home and forty percent is used outside the home. A few simple changes can reduce water usage. Run the dishwasher only when full. Use a dishpan or plug the sink when hand-washing dishes. Run full loads of laundry instead of many small loads. Pull weeds to decrease competition for water. Repair or replace leaking hoses and sprinklers.

The staff of the Department of Public Works, Utilities Division, works diligently to provide top quality water and excellent customer service. All customers are urged to protect our valuable water resources and practice conservation to ensure a sustainable water supply for our community. If you have any questions concerning this report or any aspect of your water utility, please contact Sam Simanovsky, Chief of Operations and Maintenance, at 301-609-7400.