## Annual Drinking Water Quality Report from January 1 to December 31 2021 Woodland Mobile Home Community PWSID MD021-0205 June 2022

We're pleased to provide you with this Annual Water Quality Report. We want to keep you informed about the water and services we have delivered to you over the past year. Our water source is two wells which draw from the Conococheague Limestone Aquifer. These wells are located within the park property.

## **Sources for 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, and 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 use.

**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.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population.

Immuno-compromised 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 (800-426-4791).

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.

In the table below 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:

*Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level* (MRDL) – The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that the 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 benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l) – one part per million corresponds to one ounce in 7,350 gallons of water.

*Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter* – one part per billion corresponds to one ounce in 7,350,000 gallons of water.

*Actions 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.

*MREM* – Millirems per year (a measure of radiation absorbed by the body.

N/D – The contaminant is None Detected.

RESULTS											
Lead and Cop	ner										
Lead and Copper	-	Date ampled	MCLG		Action Level		90 <sup>th</sup> Percentile	# Sites Over AL	Units	Likely Source of Contamination	
Copper	9/2	20/2020	1.3		1.3		0.168	0	ppm	Corrosion of Household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits, leaching from wood preservatives	
Lead	9/2	20/2020		0		15	1.21	0	ppb	Corrosion of Household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits	
Regulated Co		minates	6								
	Disinfectants and isinfection Byproducts Da				I	Range of Levels	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Chlorine	202			0.6		0.5 – 0.6	MRDLG = 4	MRDL = 4	ppm	N	Water additive used to control microbes
TTHM Trihalomethanes 2020		8/12/2020		N/D		N/D	No goal for the total	80	ppb	N	By-product of drinking water disinfectant
HAA5 Haloacetic Acids 2020		8/12/20	8/12/2020 N/D			N/D	No goal for the total	60	ppb	Ν	By-product of drinking water disinfectant
Inorganic Contaminates		Collectio Date			I	Range of Levels	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Barium		2021	2021 0.06		5	0.041 – 0.065	5 2	2	ppm	N	Discharge of drilling wastes. Discharge from metal refineries. Erosion of natural deposits.
Chromium		2021	1 2.6			0 – 2.6	100	100	ppm	N	Discharge from steel and pulp mills. Erosion of natural products.
Fluoride		2021	0.15			0.11 – 0.15	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) – Nitrate in drinking water at levels above 10 ppm is a health risk for infants of less than six months. 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 advice from your health care provider		2021	9			7.1 – 8.7	10	10	ppm	Ν	Run off from fertilizer use, leaching from septic tanks, sewage, erosion of natural deposits

## PFAS

"PFAS – short for Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl substances – refers to a large group of more than 4,000 human-made chemicals that have been used since the 1940s in a range of products, including stain- and water-resistant fabrics and carpeting, cleaning products, paints, cookware, food packaging and fire-fighting foams. These uses of PFAS have led to PFAS entering our environment, where they have been measured by several states in soil, surface water, groundwater and seafood. Some PFAS can last a long time in the environment and in the human body and can accumulate in the food chain.

Currently, there are no federal regulations (i.e. Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCLs)) for PFAS in drinking water. However, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has issued a Health Advisory Level (HAL) of 70 parts per trillion (ppt) for the sum of PFOA and PFOS concentrations in drinking water. While not an enforceable regulatory standard, when followed, the EPA HAL does provide drinking water customers, even the most sensitive populations, with a margin of protection from lifetime exposure to PFOA and PFOS in drinking water. Beginning in 2020, the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) initiated a PFAS monitoring program. The combined PFOA and PFOS concentration from samples taken from our water system was 11.02 ppt (parts per trillion) at front well and 5.04 ppt (parts per trillion) at back well.

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water, please contact Ken Martin at (304) 263-5451.