



PUBLIC NOTICE

MONITORING REQUIREMENTS NOT MET FOR CITY OF ELEPHANT BUTTE

Our water system violated a drinking water requirement for Year 2018. Even though the violation is not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened and what we did to correct it.

We are required to monitor our drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. During the **4th quarter of 2018, we did not complete all monitoring and reporting requirements for disinfectant residuals, and therefore cannot be sure of the quality of your drinking water during that time. *We are required to submit a report of the monthly disinfectant residuals on a quarterly basis to the New Mexico Environment Department, Drinking Water Bureau (NMED-DWB). We did not report disinfectant residuals monitored from the distribution system during the **4th quarter of 2018**.*

What should the customers do?

There is no concern that the customers need to do anything with their water at this time.

What does this mean?

The quality of the water is not compromised; however, failure to report precise disinfectant residuals is a violation of drinking water regulations.

A Tier 3 violation is a one-year time frame set forth by New Mexico's drinking water regulations, which allows the city to correct any sampling that was rejected or is in violation of the 24hr notification period. Whenever our water system has a yearly contaminate sample, we are required by law to conduct grab samples at the systems water sampling points. Therefore, we were not sure of the quality of your water during that time.

What happened? What is being done?

We will submit quarterly reports of the precise disinfectant residuals to the NMED-DWB by the specified date outlined in the drinking water regulations.

(Date system plans to be in compliance 6/2020).

*For more information, please contact Sal Martinez at 505-553-9258 or PO Box 1080, Elephant Butte, NM 87935. Please share this information with all other people who consume this water and may not receive notification directly (schools, apartments, RV parks, business, and nursing homes, etc.)

Thank you.