

2016 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report



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QUICK NEWS BRIEFS

Thank You to all our customers who insulated their meters last fall. As bad as last winter was, we had very few frozen meters. It is the homeowner's responsibility to insulate their meter and insulation packets may be picked up "for free" at the office, starting in October.

The Park Beach/Sutton Bay Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Loan was paid off in September of 2016. We will start the annexation process early this summer for our customers who participated in this project.

It is the Homeowners responsibility to make sure meter box area is clear from brush, weeds and debris. We read the meter twice a year and turn on and off water in emergency situations. It is essential the meter box area be open and easy to access. If we have to clear this area, the homeowner will be charged for our employee's time.

Please Remember, if you continue to irrigate after the first week in October, you are using your winter months allotment of water. This may cause you to have an excess water charge in April.

Moab Employee's are here to help. Do you need a notary? We have one on staff and it's free of charge for our customers. We will also make copies or send a fax for you, for a small fee.

Call Before You Dig...The number is 811. This service is free to homeowners and is the state law.

Protection of drinking water is everyone's responsibility. You can help protect your community's drinking water source in several ways:

- Eliminate excess use of lawn and garden fertilizers and pesticides - they contain hazardous chemicals that can reach your drinking water source.
- Pick up after your pets.
- If you have your own septic system, properly maintain your system to reduce leaching into the aquifer.
- Dispose of chemicals properly; take used motor oil to a recycling center.

Cross Connection Control Survey is coming soon...

The purpose of this survey is to determine whether a cross-connection may exist at your home or business. A cross connection is an unprotected or improper connection to a public water distribution system that may cause contamination or pollution to enter the system. We are responsible for enforcing cross-connection control regulations and insuring that no contaminants can, under any flow conditions, enter the distribution system. If you have any of the devices listed below or have questions please contact us so that we can discuss the issue, and if needed, survey your connection and assist you in providing the protection that is necessary.

- Boiler/ Radiant heater (water heaters not included)
- Underground lawn sprinkler system
- Pool or hot tub (whirlpool tubs not included)
- Additional source(s) of water on the property
- Decorative pond
- Watering trough

⇒ **Moab Employee's can always be identified by their shirts, hats and jackets.** ←

Is my water safe?

We are pleased to present this year's Consumer Confidence Report as required by the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA). This report is designed to provide details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to standards set by regulatory agencies. This report is a snapshot of 2016 water quality. We are committed to providing you with information because informed customers are our best allies.

Description of Water Source

Your water comes from a well field that includes four wells located at the District Office and is pumped directly from the Spokane Valley – Rathdrum Prairie Aquifer.

Water Quality Data Table

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The table below lists all of the drinking water contaminants that we detected during the calendar year of this report. To help you better understand the terms, we have provided the definitions below the table.

Contaminants	MCLG	MCL	Detect In Your Water	Range		Sample Date	Violation	Typical Source
				Low	High			
Inorganic Contaminants								
Nitrate [measured as Nitrogen] (ppm)	10	10	1.69	NA	NA	2016	No	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits
Microbiological Contaminants								
Total Coliform – 2 tests per month (24 total)	0	1	0	NA	NA	2016	No	Naturally present in the environment
Contaminants	MCLG	AL	Your Water	Sample Date	# Samples Exceeding AL	Exceeds AL	Typical Source	
Inorganic Contaminants								
Lead and Copper - at 10 consumer taps	NA	15	1.3	2014	0	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits	
Contaminants	MCLG	MCL	Your Water	Violation	Typical Source			
Arsenic (ppb)	0	10	ND	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes			
TTHMs [Total Trihalomethanes] (ppb)	80	80	ND	No	By-product of drinking water disinfection			
Unit Descriptions								
Term	Definition							
ppm	ppm: parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/L)							
ppb	ppb: parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (µg/L)							
NA	NA: not applicable							
ND	ND: Not detected							
Important Drinking Water Definitions								
Term	Definition							
MCLG	MCLG: Maximum Contaminant Level Goal: 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.							
MCL	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.							
AL	AL: Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.							

If you have further questions, please contact Scott Inch, District Manager at (509) 226-0545