

Important Information About Your Drinking Water

The City of Wharton _____ had a water well(s) that tested positive for *E. coli*.

E. coli bacteria were found in the water supply on (Date) 08/18/2016. These bacteria can make you sick, and are a particular concern for infants, young children and people with weakened immune systems.

WHAT SHOULD I DO? WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

Fecal indicators are microbes whose presence indicates that the water may be contaminated with human or animal wastes. Microbes in these wastes can cause short-term health effects, such as diarrhea, cramps, nausea, headaches, or other symptoms. They may pose a special health risk for infants, young children, some of the elderly, and people with severely compromised immune systems.

The symptoms above are not caused only by organisms in drinking water. If you experience any of these symptoms and they persist, you may want to seek medical advice. People at increased risk should seek advice from their health care providers about drinking this water.

Corrective action: (List what is currently being done to remedy the problem)

The well has been taken off line and will be disinfected with chlorine and sampled prior to being put back in service. This raw water sample was taken prior to disinfection and no harmful bacteria have been found after disinfection. The distribution system samples have shown no harmful bacteria.

We anticipate resolving the problem within (estimated time frame) 09/01/2016. For more information, please contact (name of PWS contact) Wade Wendt at (phone number) 979-532-2491 or (mailing address of contact) 120 East Caney Street Wharton, Texas 77488.

General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from the EPA Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

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