

2024 Consumer Confidence Report for Public Water System CALLAHAN COUNTY WSC

(Also known as Annual Drinking Water Report)

Water System Identification Number: TX0300015

Annualy Water Report for the period of January 1 to December 31, 2024

Callahan County WSC purchases treated water from:

City of Clyde which treats surface water from Clyde Lake, and who at times,
purchases water from the City of Abilene
City of Baird which treats water from Baird Lake, and who at times,
purchases water from the City of Abilene.

For more information regarding this report, contact:

Danise Weise at 325-893-3841

Este reporte incluye información importante sobre el agua para tomar.
Para asistencia en español, favor de llamar al telefono 325-893-3841.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION OPPORTUNITIES AT
MONTHLY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

Date: Fourth Monday of Each Month

Time: 5:30 PM

Location: Office Location of
218 N Access Rd.
Clyde, TX 79510

Definitions and Abbreviations

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Maximum Contaminant Level Goal or 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 residual disinfectant level or 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 or MRDLG:	The level of a 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 microbial contaminants.
MFL	million fibers per liter (a measure of asbestos)
mrem:	millirems per year (a measure of radiation absorbed by the body)
na:	not applicable.
NTU	nephelometric turbidity units (a measure of turbidity)
pCi/L	picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)
ppb:	micrograms per liter or parts per billion
ppm:	milligrams per liter or parts per million
ppq	parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter (pg/L)
ppt	parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter (ng/L)
Treatment Technique or TT:	A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Information about your 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.

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- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
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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.

Contaminants may be found in drinking water that may cause taste, color, or odor problems. These types of problems are not necessarily causes for health concerns. For more information on taste, odor, or color of drinking water, please contact the system's business office.

You may be more vulnerable than the general population to certain microbial contaminants, such as Cryptosporidium, in drinking water. Infants, some elderly, or immunocompromised persons such as those undergoing chemotherapy for cancer; persons who have undergone organ transplants; those who are undergoing treatment with steroids; and people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, can be particularly at risk from infections. You should seek advice about drinking water from your physician or health care providers. Additional guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

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TCEQ completed a Source Water Susceptibility for all drinking water systems that own their sources. This report describes the susceptibility and types of constituents that may come into contact with the drinking water source based on human activities and natural conditions. The system(s) from which we purchase our water received the assessment report. For more information on source water assessments and protection efforts at our system contact **Danise Weise** **325-893-3841**.

Lead and Copper	Date Sampled	MCLG	Action Level (AL)	90th Percentile	# Sites Over AL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Copper	2024	1.3	1.3	0.693	1	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives; Corrosion of household plumbing systems.
Lead	2024	0	15	5.5	2	ppb	N	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits.

2024 Water Quality Test Results

Disinfection By-Products	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Individual Samples	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	2024	31	5.2 - 40.6	No goal for the total	60	ppb	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection.

*The value in the Highest Level or Average Detected column is the highest average of all HAA5 sample results collected at a location over a year

Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	2024	209	91.1 - 301	No goal for the total	80	ppb	Y	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
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Inorganic Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Individual Samples	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Nitrate [measured as Nitrogen]	2024	0.368	0.318 - 0.368	10	10	ppm	N	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.

Disinfectant Residual

A blank disinfectant residual table has been added to the CCR template, you will need to add data to the fields. Your data can be taken off the Disinfectant Level Quarterly Operating Reports (DLQOR).

Disinfectant Residual	Year	Average Level	Range of Levels Detected	MRDL	MRDLG	Unit of Measure	Violation (Y/N)	Source in Drinking Water
	2024	1.51	0.63-3.25	4	4	ppm	ppm	Water additive used to control microbes.

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Information about Source Water Assessments

TCEQ completed an assessment of your source water, and results indicated that some of our sources are susceptible to certain contaminants. The sampling requirements for your water system is based on this susceptibility and previous sample data. Any detections of these contaminants will be found in this Consumer Confidence Report. For more information on the source water assessments and protection efforts at our system, please contact Glen Campbell, City Water Plant Manager, at (325) 893-4234.

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Disinfectant (Chloramine) Levels Testing Results in the City of Clyde Distribution System

Disinfectant	Year of Range	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	MRDL	MRDLG	Unit of Measurement	Violation	Source of Chemical
Chloramines	2024	2.85	0.9	6.6	4.0	4.0	ppm	N	Disinfectant used to control microbes.

Microbiological (Coliforms) Testing Results in the City of Clyde System

Type of Contaminant	Sample Year	Total Coliform Maximum Contaminant Level	Total Number of Positive Total Coliform Samples During the Year	E. coli Maximum Contaminant Level	Total Number of Positive E. coli Samples	Violation	Likely Source of Contaminant
Coliform bacteria	2024	Two or more samples collected in a month which are Total Coliform Positive	0	0	0	N	Naturally present in environment

2024 Water Loss Audit Information

Time Period Covered by Audit	Estimated Gallons of Water Lost During 2024	Comments and/or Explanations
January to December 2024	10,450,915	Most of the water lost during 2024 was the result of flushing to maintain water quality or leaks in the distribution system.

Regulated Contaminants Detected

Lead and Copper

Definitions:

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Lead and Copper	Date Sampled	MCLG	Action Level (AL)	90 th Percentile	#Sites Over AL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Copper	07/08/2022	1.3	1.3	0.131	0	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives; Corrosion of household plumbing systems.

Lead Service Line Inventory

The City of Clyde has developed an inventory of both city-owned and customer-owned service lines. This inventory serves as a crucial foundation for water systems to address a significant source of lead in drinking water. To access the inventory, please visit <https://www.clyde-tx.gov/>.

Regulated Contaminants in the City of Clyde Distribution System

Disinfectants and Disinfection By-Products	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Individual Samples	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	2024	73	27.9-129	No goal for total	60	ppb	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	2024	179	42.1-455	No goal for total	80	ppb	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
Inorganic Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Individual Samples	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Arsenic	2024	2	1.9-1.9	0	10	ppb	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes.

Barium	2024	0.2	0.2- 0.2	2	2	ppm	N	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
Cyanide	11/30/2021	270	270 - 270	200	200	ppb	N	Discharge from plastic and fertilizer factories; Discharge from steel/metal factories.
Fluoride	2024	0.2	0.15 - 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]	2024	0.298	0.144 – 0.298	10	10	ppm	N	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.

Synthetic organic contaminants including pesticides and herbicide	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Individual Samples	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Atrazine	2024	0.4	0-0.4	3	3	ppb	N	Runoff from herbicide used on row crops.
Di (2-ethylhexyl) phthalate	2024	1	0-1	0	6	ppb	N	Discharge from rubber and chemical factories.
Simazine	2024	0.42	0-0.42	4	4	ppb	N	Herbicide runoff.

Turbidity	Limit (Treatment Technique)	Level Detected	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Highest single measurement	1 NTU	1 NTU	N	Soil runoff.
Lowest monthly % meeting limit	93%	0.3 NTU	Y	Soil runoff.

Information Statement: Turbidity is a measurement of the cloudiness of the water caused by suspended particles. We monitor it because it is a good indicator of water quality and the effectiveness of our filtration system and disinfectants.

CITY OF ABILENE PURCHASES SURFACE WATER FROM WEST CENTRAL TEXAS MWU LOCATED IN STEPHENS COUNTY.

Regulated Contaminants in the Source Water – City of Abilene						
Lead and Copper	Date Sampled	MCLG	Action Level (AL)	90 th Percentile	# Sites Over AL	Units
Copper	07/21/2023	1.3	1.3	0.249	0	ppm
Disinfection By-Products	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Individual Samples	MCLG	MCL	Units
Chlorite	2024	0.92	0.000283 - 0.92	0.8	1	ppm
Halogenated Acids (HAAS)	2024	21	12 - 24.9	No Goal for the total	60	ppm
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	2024	54	15.9 - 60	No Goal for the total	80	ppb
			Likely Source of Contamination			
			Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives; Corrosion of household plumbing systems			

Inorganic Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Lead	2023-01-15	15 ppb	10-20 ppb	10 ppb	15 ppb	ppb	Yes	Industrial waste dump

Arsenic	2024	1	0-1.1	0	10	ppb.	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes.
Barium	2024	0.18	0.16-0.18	2	2	ppm	N	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
Chromium	2024	1.7	0-1.7	100	100	ppb	N	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; Erosion of natural deposits.
Cyanide	2024	206	25.6-206	200	200	ppb	N	Discharge from plastic and fertilizer factories; Discharge from steel/metal factories.
Fluoride	2024	0.8	0.822-0.841	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]	2024	0.247	0.0403-0.247	10	10	ppm	N	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.
<u>Radioactive Contaminants</u>	<u>Collection Date</u>	<u>Highest Level Detected</u>	<u>Range of Levels Detected</u>	<u>MCLG</u>	<u>MCL</u>	<u>Units</u>	<u>Violation</u>	<u>Likely Source of Contamination</u>
Beta/photon emitters	2024	10.7	7.7-10.7	0	50	pCi/l *	N	Decay of natural and man-made deposits.
Uranium	2024	2.9	0-2.9	0	30	Ug/l	N	Erosion of natural deposits.

Turbidity

	Level Detected	Limit (Treatment Technique)	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Highest Single measurement	0.19 NTU	1 NTU	N	Soil runoff.
Lowest monthly % meeting Limit	100%	0.3 NTU	N	Soil runoff.

Unregulated Contaminants Detected

Unregulated Contaminant	Collection Date	Results ($\mu\text{g/L}$)	Health-Based Reference Concentration ($\mu\text{g/L}$) (recommended, not required in the CCR)	Health Information Summary (recommended, not required in the CCR)
Lithium	06/12/2024		10	This data is part of UCMRS results in relation to

			minimum reporting levels and available non-regulatory health-based reference concentrations.
	28.9	0.0164	This data is part of UCMR5 results in relation to minimum reporting levels and available non-regulatory health-based reference concentrations.
PFPeA	06/12/2024	NA	This data is part of UCMR5 results in relation to minimum reporting levels and available non-regulatory health-based reference concentrations.
PFOA	06/12/2024	0.00714	This data is part of UCMR5 results in relation to minimum reporting levels and available non-regulatory health-based reference concentrations.
PFOs	06/12/2024	0.0256	This data is part of UCMR5 results in relation to minimum reporting levels and available non-regulatory health-based reference concentrations.
PFHpA	06/12/2024	0.0096	This data is part of UCMR5 results in relation to minimum reporting levels and available non-regulatory health-based reference concentrations.
PFHxA	06/12/2024	0.0214	This data is part of UCMR5 results in relation to minimum reporting levels and available non-regulatory health-based reference concentrations.

PFBS	06/12/2024	0.00688	NA	This data is part of UCMR5 results in relation to minimum reporting levels and available non-regulatory health-based reference concentrations.
PFHxS	06/12/2024	0.0202	NA	This data is part of UCMR5 results in relation to minimum reporting levels and available non-regulatory health-based reference concentrations.

Violations – City of Clyde

Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)

Some people who drink water containing Haloacetic acids in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

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Interim Enhanced SWTR

The Interim Enhanced Surface Water Treatment Rules improve control of microbial contaminants, particularly Cryptosporidium, in systems using surface water. The rule builds upon the treatment technique requirements of Surface Water Treatment Rule.

Violation Type	Violation Begin	Violation End	Violation Explanation
MONTHLY COMB FILTR EFFLUENT (IESWTRLT1)	06/01/2024	06/30/2024	Turbidity levels, though relatively low, exceeded a standard for the month indicated.
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- 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.

Contaminants may be found in drinking water that may cause taste, color, or odor problems. These types of problems are not necessarily causes for health concerns. For more information on taste, odor, or color of drinking water, please contact the system's business office.

You may be more vulnerable than the general population to certain microbial contaminants, such as Cryptosporidium, in drinking water. Infants, some elderly, or immunocompromised persons such as those undergoing chemotherapy for cancer; persons who have undergone organ transplants; those who are undergoing treatment with steroids; and people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, can be particularly at risk from infections. You should seek advice about drinking water from your physician or health care providers. Additional guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium 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>.

Information about Source Water

TCEQ completed an assessment of your source water, and results indicated that some of our sources are susceptible to certain contaminants. The sampling requirements for your water system is based on this susceptibility and previous sample data. Any detections of these contaminants will be found in this Consumer Confidence Report. For more information on the source water assessments and protection efforts at our system, please contact Lori Higgins, City Administrator at 325-854-1212.

Water Quality Test Results Explanation of Acronyms Used in this Report: The following tables contain scientific terms and measures, some of which may require explanation.

Avg: Regulatory compliance with some MCLs are based on running annual average of monthly samples.

Maximum Contaminant Level or 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 Contaminant Level Goal or 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 Residual Disinfectant Level or 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 or MRDLG: The level of a 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 microbial contaminants.

Level 1 Assessment: A level 1 assessment is a study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system.

Level 2 Assessment: A level 2 assessment is a very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why an E. coli MCL violation has occurred and/or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system on multiple occasions.

Treatment Technique or TT: A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

na: not applicable

mrem: millirems per year (a measure of asbestos)

pCi/L: picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)

ppm: milligrams per liter or parts per million-or one ounce in 7,350 gallons of water.

ppq: parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter (pg/L)

Disinfectant (Chloramine) levels Testing Results in the City of Baird Distribution System

Disinfectant	Year of Range	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	MRDL	MRDLG	Unit of Measurement	Violation	Source of Chemical
Chloramines	2024	1.43	1.84	1.46	4.0	4.0	ppm	N	Disinfectant used to control microbes

Microbiological (Coliforms) Testing Results in the City of Baird System

Type of Contaminant	Sample Year	Total Coliform Maximum Contaminant Level	E. coli Maximum Contaminant Level	Total Number of Positive E. coli or Total Coliform Samples	Violation	Likely Source of Contaminant
Coliform bacteria	2024	1 or more monthly samples which are Total Coliform positive	2	2	N	Naturally present in environment

2024 Regulated Contaminants Detected

Lead and Copper
Action Level Goal (ALG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. ALGs allow for a margin of safety. Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

Lead and Copper	Date Sampled	MCLG	Action Level(AL)	90 th Percentile	#Sites Over AL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Copper	2024	1.3	1.3	0.42	0	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives; Corrosion of household plumbing system
Lead	2024	0	15	8.93	1	ppb	N	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits.

Lead Service Line Inventory

City of Baird has developed an inventory of both City-owned and customer-owned service lines. This inventory serves as a crucial foundation for water systems to address a significant source of lead in drinking water. To access the inventory, please contact the City at (325) 854-1212.

Regulated Contaminants in the City of Baird Distribution System

Disinfectants and Disinfection By-Products	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Individual Samples	MCLG	MCL Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	2024	11	6.9-22.8	No goal for the total	60 ppb	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	2024	133	66.4-164	No goal for the total	80 ppb	Y	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
Inorganic Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Individual Samples	MCLG	MCL Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Arsenic	2024	1	1.2-1.2	0	10 ppb	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes
Barium	2024	0.19	0.19 - 0.19	2	2 ppm	N	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
Fluoride	2024	0.7	0.722-0.722	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]	2024	0.444	0.444-0.444	10	10 ppm	N	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.
Nitrite [measured as Nitrogen]	10/06/2022	0.231	0.231-0.231	1	1 ppm	N	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.
Radioactive Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Individual Samples	MCLG	MCL Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination

Beta/photon emitters	2024	9.8	9.8-9.8	0	50	pCi/L*	N	Decay of natural and man-made deposits.
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*EPA considers 50 pCi/L to be the level of concern for beta particles.

Turbidity		Limit (Treatment Technique)	Level Detected	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Highest single measurement	0 NTU	1 NTU	N	Soil runoff	
Lowest monthly % meeting limit	100%	0.3 NTU	N	Soil runoff	

Turbidity is a measurement of the cloudiness of the water caused by suspended particles. We monitor it because it is a good indicator of water quality and the effectiveness of our filtration system and disinfectants. .

Regulated Contaminants in the Source Water – City of Abilene

Lead and Copper	Date Sampled	MCLG	Action Level (AL)	90 th Percentile Over AL	# Sites Over AL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Copper	07/21/2023	1.3	1.3	0.249	0	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives; Corrosion of household plumbing systems.
Disinfection By-Products	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Individual Samples	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Chlorite	2024	0.92	0.000283 - 0.92	0.8	1	ppm	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
Halogenated Acids (HAAS)	2024	21	12 - 24.9	No Goal for the total	60	ppm	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection.

Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	2024	54	15.9 - 60	No Goal for the total	80 ppb	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
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<u>Inorganic Contaminants</u>	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Arsenic	2024	1	0-1.1	0	10	ppb	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes.
Barium	2024	0.18	0.16-0.18	2	2	ppm	N	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
Chromium	2024	1.7	0-1.7	100	100	ppb	N	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; Erosion of natural deposits.
Cyanide	2024	206	25-6-206	200	200	ppb	N	Discharge from plastic and fertilizer factories; Discharge from steel/metal factories.
Fluoride	2024	0.8	0.822-0.841	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]	2024	0.247	0.0403-0.247	10	10	ppm	N	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.
<u>Radioactive Contaminants</u>	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination

Beta/photon emitters	2024	10.7	7.7-10.7	0	50	pCi/L*	N	Decay of natural and man-made deposits.
Uranium	2024	2.9	0-2.9	0	30	Ug/l	N	Erosion of natural deposits.

Turbidity

	Level Detected	Limit (Treatment Technique)	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Highest Single measurement	0.19 NTU	1 NTU	N	Soil runoff.
Lowest monthly % meeting Limit	100%	0.3 NTU	N	Soil runoff.

Unregulated Contaminants Detected

Unregulated Contaminant	Collection Date	Results (ug/L)	Health-Based Reference Concentration (ug/L) (recommended, not required in the CCR)	Health Information Summary (recommended, not required in the CCR)
Lithium	06/12/2024	28.9	10	This data is part of UCMR5 results in relation to minimum reporting levels and available non-regulatory health-based reference concentrations.
PFFeA	06/12/2024	0.0164	NA	This data is part of UCMR5 results in relation to minimum reporting levels and available non-

				regulatory health-based reference concentrations.
PFOA	06/12/2024	0.00714 NA	This data is part of UCMR5 results in relation to minimum reporting levels and available non-regulatory health-based reference concentrations.	
PFOS	06/12/2024	0.0256 NA	This data is part of UCMR5 results in relation to minimum reporting levels and available non-regulatory health-based reference concentrations.	
PFH ₁ pA	06/12/2024	0.0096 NA	This data is part of UCMR5 results in relation to minimum reporting levels and available non-regulatory health-based reference concentrations.	
PFH ₁ xA	06/12/2024	0.0214 3	This data is part of UCMR5 results in relation to minimum reporting levels and available non-regulatory health-based reference concentrations.	
PFBS	06/12/2024	0.00688 NA	This data is part of UCMR5 results in relation to minimum reporting levels and available non-regulatory health-based reference concentrations.	
PFH ₁ xS	06/12/2024	0.0202 NA	This data is part of UCMR5 results in relation to minimum reporting levels and available non-	

		regulatory health-based reference concentrations.
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Violations- City of Baird

Consumer Confidence Rule			
The Consumer Confidence Rule requires community water systems to prepare and provide to their customers annual consumer confidence Reports on the quality of the water delivered by the systems.			
Violation Type	Violation Begin	Violation End	Violation Explanation
CCR ADEQUACY/AVAILABILITY/CONTENT	07/02/2024	09/16/2024	We failed to provide to you, our drinking water customers, an annual report that adequately informed you about the quality of our drinking water and the risks from exposure to contaminants detected in our drinking water.
Public Notification Rule			
The Public Notification Rule helps to ensure that consumers will always know if there is a problem with their drinking water. These notices immediately alert consumers if there is a serious problem with their drinking water (e.g., a boil water emergency).			
Violation Type	Violation Begin	Violation End	Violation Explanation
PUBLIC NOTICE RULE LINKED TO VIOLATION	02/18/2024	2024	We failed to adequately notify you, our drinking water consumers, about a violation of the drinking water regulations.
PUBLIC NOTICE RULE LINKED TO VIOLATION	06/19/2024	8/22/2024	We failed to adequately notify you, our drinking water consumers, about a violation of the drinking water regulations.

PUBLIC NOTICE RULE LINKED TO VIOLATION	07/14/2024	2024	We failed to adequately notify you, our drinking water consumers, about a violation of the drinking water regulations.
PUBLIC NOTICE RULE LINKED TO VIOLATION	10/11/2024	2024	We failed to adequately notify you, our drinking water consumers, about a violation of the drinking water regulations.
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)			
Some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous systems, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer			
Violation Type	Violation Begin	Violation End	Violation Explanation
FAILURE SUBMIT OEL REPORT FOR TTHM	11/21/2022	01/31/2024	We failed to submit our operational evaluation level (OEL) report to our regulator. The report is needed to determine best treatment practices necessary to minimize possible future exceedences of TTHM.
FAILURE SUBMIT OEL REPORT FOR TTHM	06/10/2023	01/31/2024	We failed to submit our operational evaluation level (OEL) report to our regulator. The report is needed to determine best treatment practices necessary to minimize possible future exceedences of TTHM.
FAILURE SUBMIT OEL REPORT FOR TTHM	09/06/2023	01/31/2024	We failed to submit our operational evaluation level (OEL) report to our regulator. The report is needed to determine best treatment practices necessary to minimize possible future exceedences of TTHM.
FAILURE SUBMIT OEL REPORT FOR TTHM	11/27/2024	12/09/2024	We failed to submit our operational evaluation level (OEL) report to our regulator. The report is needed to determine best treatment practices necessary to minimize possible future exceedences of TTHM.
MCL LRAA	01/01/2024	03/31/2024	Water samples showed that the amount of this contaminant in our drinking water was above its standard (called a maximum contaminant level and abbreviated MCL) for the period indicated.

MCL, LRAA	04/01/2024	06/30/2024	Water samples showed that the amount of this contaminant in our drinking water was above its standard (called a maximum contaminant level and abbreviated MCL) for the period indicated.
MCL, LRAA	07/01/2024	09/30/2024	Water samples showed that the amount of this contaminant in our drinking water was above its standard (called a maximum contaminant level and abbreviated MCL) for the period indicated.
MCL, LRAA	10/01/2024	12/31/2024	Water samples showed that the amount of this contaminant in our drinking water was above its standard (called a maximum contaminant level and abbreviated MCL) for the period indicated.

Mandatory Language for a Maximum Contaminant Level Violation - TTHM

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has notified the **CITY OF BAIRD** public water system that the drinking water being supplied to customers had exceeded the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for total trihalomethanes. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has established the MCL for total trihalomethanes to be 0.080 milligrams per liter (mg/l) based on a locational running annual average (LRAA), and has determined that it is a health concern at levels above the MCL. Analysis of drinking water in your community for total trihalomethanes indicates a compliance value in QRT 1, 2, 4 of 0.1217, 0.125, 0.1294 mg/l for 1033 CHERRY, BAIRD, TX.

Trihalomethanes are a group of volatile organic compounds that are formed when chlorine, added to the water during the treatment process for disinfection, reacts with naturally-occurring organic matter in the water.

Some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidney, or central nervous systems, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

You do not need to use an alternative water supply. However, if you have health concerns, you may want to talk to your doctor to get more information about how this may affect you.

We are taking the following actions to address this issue:

The City of Baird has brought their Surface Water Plant up to operation and are no longer going to be purchased from the City of Abilene.

Please share this information with all people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (i.e., people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

If you have questions regarding this matter, you may contact Lori Higgins _____ at _____.

(325) 854-1212 _____
CITY OF BAIRD