



# CITY OF ROANOKE 2015

## DRINKING WATER QUALITY REPORT

265 Marshall Creek Rd.

817-491-6099



**Special Notice for the ELDERLY, INFANTS, CANCER PATIENTS, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune problems:** Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immune-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. The EPA/Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (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).

### **Our Drinking Water Meets or Exceeds All Federal (EPA) Drinking Water Requirements**

This report is a summary of the quality of the water we provide our customers. The analysis was made by using the data from the most recent U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) required tests and is presented in the attached pages. We hope this information helps you become more knowledgeable about what's in your drinking water.

### **Where do we get our drinking water?**

Our drinking water is obtained from surface water from Eagle Mountain lake and purchased from the City of Fort Worth. TCEQ completed an assessment of our source water and results indicate that some of our sources are susceptible to certain contaminants. The sampling requirements for our water system are based on this susceptibility and previous sample data. Any detections of these contaminants will be found in this report. The City of Fort Worth susceptibility is not included in this assessment. For more information on source water assessments and protection efforts at our system, please contact Shawn Wilkinson, Assistant Director of Public Works, Roanoke 817-491-6099.

### **En Español**

Este informe incluye información importante sobre el agua potable. Si tiene preguntas o comentarios sobre este informe en español, favor de llamar al tel. 817-491-6099—para hablar con una persona bilingüe en español.

**WATER SOURCES:** 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. Contaminants that may be present in source water before treatment include: microbes, inorganic contaminants, pesticides, herbicides, radioactive contaminants, and organic chemical contaminants.

### ***ALL drinking water may contain contaminants.***

When drinking water meets federal standards there may not be any health based benefits to purchasing bottled water or point of use devices. 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 EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

### **Definitions**

**MCLG** - Maximum Contaminant Level Goal - The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected health risk. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

**MCL** - Maximum Contaminant Level - The highest permissible level of a contaminant in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

**MRDL** - Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level - The highest level of disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

**MRDLG** - Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal - 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 contamination.

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

**AL** - Action Level - The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

### **Abbreviations**

**MFL** - Million Fibers Per Liter - a measure of asbestos

**ppm** - Parts Per Million or milligrams per Liter (mg/L)

**ppb** - Parts Per Billion or micrograms per liter (ug/L)

**ppt** - Parts Per Trillion or nanograms per Liter

**ppq** - Parts per quadrillion or picograms per Liter

**pCi/l** - picocuries per liter - a measure of radioactivity

**NTU** - Nephelometric Turbidity Units

### **Public Participation Opportunities**

The City Council meets on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month at 7:00 P.M. at City Hall. Call 817-491-2411 if you need additional information

**About the following data**

The pages that follows lists all of the federally regulated or monitored constituents which have been found in your drinking water. The U.S. EPA requires water systems to test up to 97 contaminants.

**Inorganic Contaminants**

Contaminant	Units of Measurement	MCL	2015 Level	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	Source of Contaminant
Arsenic	ppb	10	1.70	0.97-1.70	0	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards, runoff from glass and electronics production wastes
Barium	ppm	2	0.07	0.05-0.07	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
Antimony	ppb	6	0.21	0-0.21	6	Discharge from petroleum refineries, fire retardants, ceramics electronics, solder, test addition
Beta particles & Photon emitters	pCi/L	50	5.6	4-5.6	N/A	Decay of natural and man-made deposits of certain minerals that are radioactive and may emit forms of radiation known as photons and beta radiation
Fluoride	ppm	4	0.56	0.12-0.56	4	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Nitrate (measured as Nitrogen)	ppm	10	1	0.792-0.792	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Radium 226/228	pCi/L	5	1	1-1	0	Erosion of natural deposits
Chromium (Total)	ppb	100	1	0.87-1	100	Discharge from steel and pulp mills, erosion of natural deposits
Cyanide	ppb	200	145	13.4-145	200	Discharge from platica nd fertilizer factories; discharge from steel and metal factories
Bromate	ppb	10	6.22	0-6.22	0	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Haloacetic Acids	ppb	60	10	3.3-16.2	N/A	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Total Trihalomethanes	ppb	80	8	4.52-13.8	N/A	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Total Coliforms (including fecal coliform & E.coli)	% of positive samples	Presence in 5% or more of monthly samples	Presence in 2% of monthly samples	0-2%	0	Coliforms are naturally present in the environment as well as feces; fecal coliforms and E.coli only come from human and animal fecal waste

**Contaminant      Units of Measure      MCL      2015 Level      Range of Levels Detected      MCLG      Source of Chemical**

Turbidity	NTU	TT	0.20 Highest single result 98.9% Lowest monthly % of samples ≤ 0.3 NTU	N/A	N/A	Soil Runoff
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**Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level**

Contaminant	Units of Measure	MCL	2015 Level	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	Source of Chemical
Chloramine	ppm	4	2.65	0.5-4.0	4	Water additive used to control microbes
Contaminant	High	Low	Average	MCL	MCLG	Source of Chemical
Total Organic Carbon	1	1	1	TT=% Removal	N/A	Naturally occurring

**Lead and Copper**

Year	Contaminant	MCLG	The 90th Percentile	Number of Sites Exceeding Action Level	Action Level	Unit of Measure	Source of Contaminant
9/28/15	Lead	15	2.3	0	15	ppb	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits
9/28/15	Copper	1.3	0.29	0	1.3	ppm	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives.

Disinfectant	Year	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	MRDL	MRDLG	Units of Measure	Violation (Y/N)	Likely Source of Contamination
Total Chloramines	2015	3.15	0.9	3.8	4.0	4.0	ppm	N	

Violations			
The Public Notification Rule helps to ensure that consumers will always know 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
Disinfectant Level Quarterly Report (DLQOR)	10/01/2015	12/31/2015	We failed to test our drinking water for the contaminant and period indicated. Because of this failure, we cannot be sure of the quality our drinking water during the period indicated.
Follow-Up or Routine Tap M/R (LCR)	10/01/2013	12/09/2015	We failed to test our drinking water for the contaminant and period indicated. Because of this failure, we cannot be sure of the quality our drinking water during the period indicated.
Follow-Up or Routine Tap M/R (LCR)	10/01/2014	12/09/2015	We failed to test our drinking water for the contaminant and period indicated. Because of this failure, we cannot be sure of the quality our drinking water during the period indicated.
Lead Consumer Notice (LCR)	12/30/2015	2015	We failed to provide the results of lead tap water monitoring to the consumers at the location water was tested. These were supposed to be provided no later than 30 days after learning the results.
Public Notice Ruled Linked to Violation	11/08/2014	11/19/2015	We failed to adequately notify you, our drinking water consumers, about a violation of the drinking water regulations.
Public Notice Ruled Linked to Violation	2/13/2015	2015	We failed to adequately notify you, our drinking water consumers, about a violation of the drinking water regulations.
MCL (TCR), Monthly	10/01/2015	2015	Total coliform Bacteria were found in our drinking water during the period indicated in enough samples to violate a standard

**Unregulated Contaminates**

**Bromoform, chloroform, dichlorobromomethane and dibromochloromethane are disinfection byproducts. There is no maximum contaminant level for these chemicals at the entry point to distribution.**

Contaminant	Unit of Measure	Range of Level Detected	2015 Level	MCL	MCLG	Source of Chemical
Chloro Hydrate	ppb	0.30-0.67	0.67	Not Regulated	None	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection; not regulated individually; included in Total Trihalomethanes.
Bromoform	ppb	1.5-9.9	9.9	Not Regulated	None	
Bromodichloromethane	ppb	2.6-8.9	8.9	Not Regulated	None	
Chloroform	ppb	2.8-15.2	15.2	Not Regulated	70	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection
Dibromochloromethane	ppb	1.9-9.0	9.0	Not Regulated	60	
Monochloroacetic Acid	ppb	2.0-5.0	5.0	Not Regulated	70	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection; not regulated individually; included in Haloacetic Acids.
Dichloroacetic Acid	ppb	7.3-9.3	9.3	Not Regulated	None	
Trichloroacetic Acid	ppb	1.2-6.8	6.8	Not Regulated	20	
Monobromoacetic Acid	ppb	0-2.4	2.4	Not Regulated	None	
Dibromoacetic Acid	ppb	0-3.8	3.8	Not Regulated	None	

**Secondary and Other Constituents Not Regulated (Not associated health effects)**

Constituent	2015 Range	Unit of Measure	Constituent	2015 Range	Unit of Measure
Bicarbonate	96.4-120	ppm	Sodium	12.3-28.5	ppm
Calcium	33.3-42.1	ppm	Sulfate	20.2-29.0	ppm
Chloride	12.5-25.9	ppm	Total Alkalinity as CaCO3	96.4-120	ppm
Conductivity	333-427	µmhos/m	Total Dissolved Solids	163-234	ppm
Ph	8.0-8.2	units	Total Hardness as CaCO3	101-133	ppm
Magnesium	3.55-6.79	ppm	Total Hardness in Grains	6-8	grains/gallons

**Mandatory Language for Lead and Copper**

If present, elevated levels of lead can lead to 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 private plumbing.

The City of Roanoke is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but 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 two minutes before using water for drinking or cooking.

If you are concerned about lead in your drinking 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 [www.epa.gov/safewater/lead](http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead)

## Data Gathering to Determine if more Regulation Needed

Water utilities in the United States monitor for more than 100 contaminants and meet 91 regulations for water safety and quality.

But should other contaminants be regulated?

The 1996 Safe Drinking Water Act amendments require that once every five years EPA issues a new list of more than 30 unregulated contaminants to be monitored by public water systems. This monitoring provides a basis for future regulatory actions to protect public health.

The first Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule (UCMR1) was published on Sept. 17, 1999, the second (UCMR2) was published on Jan. 4, 2007 and the third (UCMR3) was published on May 2, 2012. Fort Worth did not detect any of the contaminants in the UCMR1 and UCMR2 testing.

The third Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule includes assessment for 21 chemical contaminants, 7 hormones and 2 viruses. The virus testing did not impact Fort Worth. This testing was limited to small groundwater systems that do not disinfect.

UCMR benefits the environment and public health by providing EPA and other interested parties with scientifically valid data on the occurrence of these contaminants in drinking water. Health information is necessary to know whether these contaminants pose health risks.

Public water systems will sample for these contaminants for four consecutive quarters from 2013 to 2015. Fort Worth's sampling occurred from June 2013 through March 2014. The results shown are for the first three quarters of sampling. The final quarter's results will appear in next year's annual quality report.

Unregulated Contaminates Monitoring Rule 3					
Fort Worth testing detected only six of the 21 chemical contaminants and none of the hormones.					
Contaminant	Unit of Measure	Range of Level Detected	2014 Level	MCL	Source of Chemical
Vanadium	ppb	0.62-0.86	0.86	0.2	Naturally occurring elemental metal; used as vanadium pentoxide which is a chemical intermediate and a catalyst
Molybdenum	ppb	1.4-2.1	2.1	1	Naturally occurring element found in ores and present in plants, animals and bacterial; commonly used form molybdenum trioxide used as a chemical reagent
Strontium	ppb	260-290	290	0.3	Naturally occurring element; historically, commercial use of strontium has been in faceplate class of cathode-ray tube televisions to block x-ray emissions
Chromium	ppb	Not Detected	N/A	0.2	Naturally occurring element; used in making steel and other alloys; chromium-3 or -6 forms are used for chrome plating, dyes and pigments, leather tanning, and wood preservation
Chromium-6	ppb	0-.068	.068	0.03	
Chlorate	ppb	0-170	170	20	Agriculture defoliant or desiccant; disinfection byproduct; and used in production of chlorine dioxide

### UCMR3 Contaminants Not Detected

#### Chemicals

1,2,3-trichloropropane  
 1,3-butadiene  
 chloromethane (Methyl chloride)  
 1,1-dichloroethane  
 bromomethane  
 chlorodifluoromethane (HCFC-22)  
 1,4-dioxane  
 cobalt  
 perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS)  
 perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA)  
 perfluorononanoic acid (PFNA)

perfluorohexanesulfonic acid (PFHxS)  
 perfluoroheptanoic acid (PFHpA)  
 perfluorobutanesulfonic acid (PFBS)

#### Hormones

17-B-estradiol  
 17-a-ethynylestradiol  
 estriol  
 equilin  
 estrone  
 testosterone-3,17-dione  
 4-androstene-3,17-dione

### Cryptosporidium Testing

TRWD monitors the raw water at all intake sites for *Cryptosporidium*, a microbial parasite common in surface water. The source is human and animal fecal waste in the watershed.

The 2011 monthly testing revealed very low levels. The testing methods used cannot determine if the parasite is dead and inactive or alive and capable of causing cryptosporidiosis. This is an abdominal infection that causes nausea, diarrhea and abdominal cramps after indigestion. The drinking water treatment process is designed to remove *Cryptosporidium* through filtration.

# Cleaner Curbs & Cleaner Creeks for a Healthier Community



## Prevent storm water pollution in your community:



- Comply with local ordinances and storm water pollution prevention programs.
- Keep Your Waterways Beautiful.
- Participate in cleanup activities in your neighborhood.
- Support environmental education and programs in your city, county and school.
- Volunteer to place curb markers in storm drains.
- Report littering to the state hotline at 888.TEX.8683 or [www.dontmesswithtexas.org](http://www.dontmesswithtexas.org)
- Report illegal dumping in Roanoke, Texas at 817-491-6099.

[www.dfwstormwater.com](http://www.dfwstormwater.com)

[www.roanoketexas.com](http://www.roanoketexas.com)





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## NOTICE

The City of Roanoke is required to notify all water customers of a reporting error which occurred December 2015. The reporting error itself does not indicate a problem with the drinking water. However, regulatory law requires the following mandatory language be provided to all customers. **NO ACTION IS REQUIRED OF YOU THE CUSTOMER.** Again, as part of the compliance process, the city is required to provide its water customers the following statement:

### *MCL COLIFORM VIOLATION (TCR 22)*

*The City of Roanoke (PWS: ID 0610008) water system has violated the monitoring and reporting requirements set by Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) in Title 30, Texas Administrative Code (30 TAC), Section 290, Subchapter F. Public water systems are required to properly disinfect water before distribution, maintain acceptable disinfection residuals within the distribution system, monitor the disinfectant residual at various locations throughout the distribution system, and report the results of that monitoring to TCEQ on a quarterly basis.*

*Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not your drinking water is safe from microbial contamination.*

*This/These violation(s) occurred in the monitoring period(s) Fourth Quarter of 2015*

*We are taking the following actions to address this issue:*

The DLQOR reporting must be submitted within 10 days of the end of the reporting period. Additional staff has been dedicated to making sure the report is submitted within the appropriate time frame.

*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 any questions regarding this matter, you may contact Mr. Shawn Wilkinson, Assistant Director of Public Works at (817) 491-6099.*

### **To ALL City of Roanoke Water Utilities Customers**

Again, there is no action required of Roanoke residents. The City has taken the necessary steps to correct this issue, and is committed to ensuring that the potable water supply meets and exceeds the state requirements for a public water system. The City collects hundreds of daily, monthly, quarterly, and annual water quality samples to ensure the quality of your drinking water. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Shawn Wilkinson, Assistant Director of Public Works (817) 491-6099.



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