

West Jefferson County MWD

Surface Water Treatment Technique Violation

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) sets minimum water quality standards for public drinking water. These standards include enforceable treatment technique requirements for drinking water. Inadequately treated water may contain disease-causing organisms. These organisms include bacteria, viruses, and parasites that can cause symptoms such as nausea, cramps, diarrhea, and associated headaches. You DO NOT need to use alternative water supply.

The West Jefferson County MWD, PWS ID TX1230021, failed to meet the minimum treatment technique requirements for the month of February 2021. Specifically, our water system had Combined filter effluent turbidity between 1.0 and 5.0 NTU, and More than 5% of the combined filter effluent turbidity were above 0.3 NTU for the month.

Please note that these violations occurred during Winter Storm Uri, on or about February 18, 2021. The district had already issued a Boil Water Notice when these violations occurred due to low pressure, but did not cite these additional violations. Therefore, the TCEQ issued Notice of Violation for failure to properly Notify the Public.

Please share this information with all other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly. You can do this by posting in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

If you have questions regarding this matter, you may contact Daniel Hidalgo at (409) 794-2338.

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