

TIER 3 PUBLIC NOTICE

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Monitoring Requirements Not Met for AZ0413-164 Cottonwood Municipal Water VSF1

Over the past year, the City failed to collect a required water sample, which is a violation of drinking water standards. Even though this did not result in an emergency situation, you as our customer have a right to be made aware of the situation and to know what we did to correct the situation.

The Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) requires the City to regularly monitor drinking water for specific contaminants. The results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not your drinking water meets health standards.

During our annual 2024 sampling the City did not complete all monitoring or testing for Total Trihalomethane (TTHM) & Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) for the Cottonwood Municipal Water VSF1 water system (13-164) and therefore cannot be sure of the quality of the drinking water during that time.

What should I do?

There is nothing you need to do at this time.

The following table lists the contaminant(s) the City did not properly test for in 2024; how often and how many tests were supposed to have been performed, how many tests were performed, when the tests should have been performed and the date on which the follow-up tests were, or will be performed.

Contaminant	Required sampling frequency	Number of samples taken	When samples should have been taken	When samples will be taken
TTHM & HAA5	1 sample per year	0	September 2024	September 2025

What is being done?

The City of Cottonwood failed to collect the TTHM & HAA5 sample for system 13-164 in the third quarter of 2024. This system is required to be sampled annually for these contaminants. The next sample is scheduled to be collected and tested in September 2025. This is considered a missed monitoring violation.

Trihalomethanes (TTHM) are disinfection byproducts that can form when disinfectants like chlorine react with organic matter in water. Similarly, Haloacetic acids are another group of byproducts that may form when chlorine reacts with naturally occurring substances in water.

For more information, please contact Mathew Westcott at 928-340-2196 or via email at mwestcott@cottonwoodaz.gov

Please share this information with other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, 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.

This notice is being sent to you by Cottonwood Municipal Water State Water System ID#: AZ0413-164

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