

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Stroud Utilities Authority Did Not Meet Treatment Requirements

Our water system recently violated a drinking water requirement. Although this was not an emergency and does not require you to take immediate action, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what is being done to correct the situation.

We routinely monitor your water for turbidity (cloudiness). This tells us whether we are effectively filtering the water supply.

- *Water samples for June 2019 showed that eight percent (8%) of turbidity measurements were over 0.3 turbidity units – the standard is that no more than 5 percent samples may exceed 0.3 turbidity units per month.*

What should I do?

There is nothing you need to do. You do not need to boil your water or take other corrective actions. However, if you have specific health concerns, a severely compromised immune system, have an infant, are pregnant, or are elderly, you may be at increased risk and should seek advice from your health care providers about drinking the water. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

What does this mean?

This is not an emergency. If it had been you would have been notified within 24 hours. *Turbidity has no health effects. However, turbidity can interfere with disinfection and provide a medium for microbial growth. Turbidity may indicate the presence of disease-causing organisms. These organisms include bacteria, viruses, and parasites which can cause symptoms such as nausea, cramps, diarrhea, and associated headaches.* These symptoms 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.

What happened? What was done?

Heavy rains brought a sudden change in raw water turbidity. We slowed the filters to eliminate the amount of turbidity (particles) in the water. We will continue to adapt to the changing weather conditions.

For more information, please contact Stroud City Hall at 918-968-2890.

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