

Bullock Pen Water District

Water Quality Report 2024

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This report is designed to inform the public about the quality of water and services provided on a daily basis. Our commitment is to provide our customers with a safe, clean and reliable supply of drinking water. We want to assure that we will continue to monitor, improve, and protect the water system and deliver a high quality product. Water is the most indispensable product in every home and we ask everyone to be conservative and help us in our efforts to protect the water source and the water system.

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 may be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791). To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated contaminants, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of having the described health effect.

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 may pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water include: Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, (sewage plants, septic systems, livestock operations, or wildlife). Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, (naturally occurring or from stormwater runoff, wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming). Pesticides and herbicides, (stormwater runoff, agriculture or residential uses). Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, (by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, or from gas stations, stormwater runoff, or septic systems). Radioactive contaminants, (naturally occurring or from oil and gas production or mining activities). In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water to provide the same protection for public health.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-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. EPA/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).

Source Information:

Our water source is surface water withdrawn from the following water bodies: Ohio River, Licking River, Bullock Pen Lake, and Williamstown Lake. We process water from Bullock Pen Lake at our treatment plant and purchase water from Boone County Water District, supplied by Greater Cincinnati Water Works (Ohio River); Walton Water Works, supplied by Northern Kentucky Water District (Ohio and Licking Rivers); Northern Kentucky Water District (Ohio and Licking Rivers) and City of Williamstown (Williamstown Lake). A susceptibility analysis for each source has been completed. The susceptibility to contamination of the Ohio and Licking Rivers is high whereas Bullock Pen and Williamstown Lake is moderate. Several areas of concern are related to the extensive development of transportation infrastructure, the potential for spills, high degree of impervious cover and polluted runoff. Areas of row crops and urban and recreational grasses introduce the potential for herbicide, pesticide, and fertilizer use. Bridges, railroads, ports, waste handlers or generators, and Tier II hazardous chemical users in the area introduce the potential for spills or leaks of hazardous materials. The completed report is available for inspection at the Northern Kentucky Area Development District.

Service Area Information:

Bullock Pen's plant serves all customers on Lebanon Road and cross streets in Grant County, including all services traveling south including and ending on Warsaw Road. Water purchased from Northern Kentucky Water District serves customers on Dixie Highway, including cross streets, ending at the corner of Dixie Highway and Dry Ridge Road. Water purchased from the city of Williamstown serves our customers on Knoxville Road, including cross streets. This also includes all services south and southwest of the city of Dry Ridge. Our Boone County residents are served by water purchased from Boone County Water District and the City of Walton. If you have any questions regarding which water supplier services your home, please contact our office for assistance.

Information About Lead:

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. Your local water system is responsible for providing high quality drinking water and removing lead pipes, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components in your home. You share the responsibility for protecting yourself and your family from the lead in your home plumbing. You can take responsibility by identifying and removing lead materials within your home plumbing and taking steps to reduce your family's risk. Before drinking tap water, flush your pipes for several minutes by running your tap, taking a shower, doing laundry or a load of dishes. You can also use a filter certified by an American National Standards Institute accredited certifier to reduce lead in drinking water. If you are concerned about lead in your water and wish to have your water tested, contact your local water system. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

We are required to annually provide information about the health risks from lead in drinking water to schools and child care facilities. All elementary schools, secondary schools, and child care facilities are eligible to be sampled for lead by our water system. Contact our office for scheduling or to learn results of previous sampling.

Service Line Inventory Information:

To address lead in drinking water, EPA requires that all community water systems develop and maintain an inventory of service line materials. We have completed a service line inventory (SLI) and it is available for review at our office.

Lead Sample Results Availability Information:

We are required to periodically sample water from customer taps to determine lead and copper levels. EPA sets the lead action level at 0.015 mg/L (15 ppb). For a water system to be in compliance, at least 90% of tap water samples must have lead levels below this limit. This report contains the 90th percentile and range of our most recent sampling. The individual results for each location sampled can be reviewed at our office.

Some or all of these definitions may be found in this report:

Maximum Contaminant Level (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 (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 (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 (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.

Below Detection Levels (BDL) - laboratory analysis indicates that the contaminant is not present.

Not Applicable (N/A) - does not apply.

Parts per million (ppm) - or milligrams per liter, (mg/L). One part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

Parts per billion (ppb) - or micrograms per liter, (µg/L). One part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

Parts per trillion (ppt) - one part per trillion corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000,000.

Parts per quadrillion (ppq) - one part per quadrillion corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000,000 years or one penny in \$10,000,000,000,000.

Picocuries per liter (pCi/L) - a measure of the radioactivity in water.

Millirems per year (mrem/yr) - measure of radiation absorbed by the body.

Million Fibers per Liter (MFL) - a measure of the presence of asbestos fibers that are longer than 10 micrometers.

Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU) - a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity has no health effects. However, turbidity can provide a medium for microbial growth. Turbidity is monitored because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of the filtration system.

Variances & Exemptions (V&E) - State or EPA permission not to meet an MCL or a treatment technique under certain conditions.

Action Level (AL) - the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system shall follow.

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

Spanish (Español) Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre la calidad de su agua beber. Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

We are only required to test for some contaminants periodically, so the results listed in this report may not be from the previous year. Only detected contaminants are included in this report. For a list of all contaminants we test for please contact us. Copies of this report are available upon request by contacting our office.

Your drinking water has been sampled for a series of unregulated contaminants. Unregulated contaminants are those for which EPA has not established drinking water standards. There are no MCLs and therefore no violations if found. The purpose of monitoring for these contaminants is to help EPA determine where the contaminants occur and whether they should have a standard. As our customers, you have a right to know that these data are available. If you are interested in examining the results, please contact our office during normal business hours. Williamstown Water did not have any detections of the unregulated contaminants. Detections from Greater Cincinnati Water Works (C) and Bullock Pen Water District (B) are in the table below:

Unregulated Contaminants (UCMR 5)		average	range (ppb)			date
hexafluoropropylene oxide dimer acid (HFPO-DA)	C=	1	1	to	6	2024
perfluorobutanoic acid (PFBA)	B=	0.007	0.0072	to	0.0072	2024
perfluoropentanoic acid (PFPeA)	B=	0.004	0.004	to	0.004	2024



B=Bullock Pen C=Greater Cincinnati Water Works N=Northern Kentucky WD W=City of Williamstown											
Regulated Contaminant Test Results											
Contaminant			Source	Report	Range			Date of	Violation	Likely Source of	
[code] (units)	MCL	MCLG		Level	of Detection			Sample		Contamination	
Inorganic Contaminants											
Barium [1010] (ppm)	2	2	B= W= N= C=	0.012 0.014 0.022 0.04	0.012 0.014 0.02 0.04	to	0.012 0.014 0.024 0.04	2024 2024 2024 2024	No No No No	Drilling wastes; metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits	
Fluoride [1025] (ppm)	4	4	B= W= N= C=	0.63 0.66 0.725 0.9	0.63 0.66 0.71 0.72	to	0.63 0.66 0.74 0.96	2024 2024 2024 2024	No No No No		
Nitrate [1040] (ppm)	10	10	B= C= N=	0.716 0.96 0.77	0.716 0.47 0.71	to	0.716 0.96 0.77	2024 2024 2024	No No No		Fertilizer runoff; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Disinfectants/Disinfection Byproducts and Precursors											
Total Organic Carbon (ppm) (report level=lowest avg. range of monthly ratios)	TT*	N/A	B= W= N= C=	1.40 1.14 2.27 3.11	0.44 1.01 1.19 2.05	to	2.19 1.35 3.21 3.22	2024 2024 2024 2024	No No No No	Naturally present in environment.	
*Monthly ratio is the % TOC removal achieved to the % TOC removal required. Annual average must be 1.00 or greater for compliance.											
Chlorine (ppm)	MRDL = 4	MRDLG = 4	B=	1.02 (highest average)	0.61	to	1.71	2024	No		Water additive used to control microbes.
Chlorite (ppm)	1	0.8	W= (average)	0.760	0.07	to	0.82	2024	No	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.	
Chlorine dioxide (ppb)	MRDL = 800	MRDLG = 800	W=	600	0	to	600	2024	No	Water additive used to control microbes.	
HAA (ppb) (Stage 2) [Haloacetic acids]	60	N/A	B=	38 (average)	4	to	58 (range of individual sites)	2024	No	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection	
TTHM (ppb) (Stage 2) [total trihalomethanes]	80	N/A	B=	46 (average)	13.4	to	51.8 (range of individual sites)	2024	No	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.	
Household Plumbing Contaminants											
Copper [1022] (ppm) sites exceeding action level 0	AL = 1.3	1.3	B=	0.264 (90 th percentile)	0.0039	to	0.5434	2022	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems	
Lead [1030] (ppb) sites exceeding action level 0	AL = 15	0	B=	2.9 (90 th percentile)	0	to	7	2022	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems	
Other Constituents											
Turbidity (NTU) TT * Representative samples	Allowable Levels		Source	Highest Single Measurement		Lowest Monthly %		Violation	Likely Source of Turbidity		
Turbidity is a measure of the clarity of the water and not a contaminant.	No more than 1 NTU* Less than 0.3 NTU in 95% monthly samples		B= W= N= C=	0.28 0.08 0.21 0.17		100 100 100 100		No No No No	Soil runoff		