### Conservation

Water conservation measures are an important first step in protecting our water supply. Such measures not only save the supply of our source water, but you can also save money by reducing your water bill.

Here are a few suggestions:

- Take shorter showers
- Use water-saving nozzles
- Wash full loads of laundry
- Run dishwasher only when full
- Repair leaks in faucets and hoses
- Do not use toilet for trash disposal

### **Monthly Meetings**

We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. They are held on the third Thursday each month, beginning at 5:30 p.m., held at the District Office located at 2401 E. 6175 S., Ogden, UT 84403. Please call our office (801) 476-0945 to verify meeting time and location.

#### Questions

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact Matt Sorenson at (801) 476-0945.

#### We Care About You

Uintah Highlands Improvement District works around the clock to provide top quality water to every tap. We ask that all our customers help us protect our water sources which are the heart of our community, our way of life, and our children's future. If you see something suspicious or you have concerns about our drinking water, please give us a call at 801-476-0945.





This report shows our water quality and what it means to you, our customer.

# POLICY

Regarding Culinary Water

Use of culinary water for irrigation is prohibited. It is unlawful for any person, whether owner or occupant, of any residential or agricultural property, which can be served by secondary water system to use culinary water from the district for the purpose of irrigating any yard, garden or lawn.

#### Goal

We are pleased to present to you this year's Annual Drinking Water Quality Report. This report is designed to inform you about the quality of the water and services we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water. Our water sources have been determined to be from our groundwater and surface water sources.

#### Water Source

Our water sources are Dry Canyon Spring, Combe Well, Combe Spring, and Quaking Aspen Spring. We also purchase water from Weber Basin WCD-Central (UT29023).

## **Source Protection**

The Drinking Water Source Protection Plan for Uintah Highlands Improvement District is available for your review. It contains information about source protection zones, potential contamination sources and management strategies to protect our drinking water. Our sources have been determined to have a low level of susceptibility from potential contamination. We have also developed management strategies to further protect our sources from contamination. Please contact us if you have questions or concerns about our source protection plan.

### Water System Connections

There are many connections to our water distribution system. When connections are properly installed and maintained, the concerns are very minimal. However, unapproved and improper piping changes or connections can adversely affect not only the availability, but also the quality of the water. A cross connection may let contaminated water or even chemicals into the water supply system when not properly protected. This not only compromises the water quality but can also affect your health. So, what can you do? Do not make or allow improper connections at your homes. Hoses, sprinkler systems, shop sinks, and other water devices can contaminate the water flowing within your home and pose a health risk to your family. When the cross connection is allowed to exist at your home, it will affect you and your family first. Consider installing backflow prevention devices on any potential hazard. If you'd like to learn more about helping to protect the quality of our water, call us for further information about ways you can help.



### Who is at risk

All sources of drinking water are subject to potential contamination by constituents that are naturally occurring or manmade. Those constituents can be microbes, organic or inorganic chemicals, or radioactive materials. All 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 the water poses a health risk.

More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminates in drinking water than the general population. Immunocompromised persons such as those undergoing chemotherapy for cancer treatment, persons who have undergone organ transplant, people with immune systems 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 infections by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminates are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

## Lead

If present, elevated levels of 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, Uintah Highlands Improvement District 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 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your 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.

TEST RESULTS								
Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Level Detected ND/Low-High		Unit Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Date Sampled	Likely Source of Contamination
Microbiological Contaminants								
Total Coliform Bacteria	N	0		N/A	0	Presence of coliform bacteria in 5% of monthly samples	2023	Naturally present in the environment
Fecal coliform and <i>E.coli</i>	N	N/A		N/A	0	If a routine sample and repeat sample are total coliform positive, and one is also fecal coliform or E. coli positive	2023	Human and animal fecal waste
Turbidity for Ground Water	N	0.09-0.43		NTU	N/A	0.3	2022	Soil runoff
Inorganic Contaminants								
Arsenic	N	0-0.7		ppb	0	10	2022	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; runoff from glass and electronics production wastes
Barium	N	0.028-0.066		ppm	2	2	2021, 2022	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
Copper a. 90% results b. <b># of sites that</b> exceed the <b>AL</b>	N	a. 0.307 b. 0		ppm	1.3	AL=1.3	2021	Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives; Corrosion of household plumbing systems
Cyanide	N	0-3.7		ppb	200	200	2022	Discharge from steel/metal factories; discharge from plastic and fertilizer factories
Fluoride	N	0-0.192		ppm	4	4	2022	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Lead a. 90% results b. # of sites that exceed the <b>AL</b>	N	a. 3.2 MMMannin-MM b. 0		ppb	o M <sup>2</sup> M <sup>1</sup> M	AL=15	2021	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits
Nitrate (as Nitrogen)	N	0-0.252		ppm	10	10	2023	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Selenium	N	.5-3.3		ppb	50	50	2022	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits; discharge from mines
Sodium	N	16.04-32.343		ppm	500	None set by EPA	2022	Erosion of natural deposits; discharge from refineries and factories; runoff from landfills.
Sulfate	N	4.248-30.429		ppm	1000	1000	2022	Erosion of natural deposits; discharge from refineries and factories; runoff from landfills, runoff from cropland
TDS (Total Dissolved solids)	N	184-	312	ppm	2000	2000	2022	Erosion of natural deposits
Disinfection By-products								
TTHM [Total trihalomethanes]	Y	2.1-91.43 p		pb	0	80	2023	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Haloacetic Acids	N	0-18.266	р	pb	0	60	2023	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Radioactive Contaminants								
Alpha emitters	N	1.6-9.2		pCi/1	0	15	2019, 2022	Erosion of natural deposits
Combined	N	0.29-0.39		pCi/1	0	5	2019, 2022	Erosion of natural deposits
Radium 226	N	0.13-0.24		pCi/1	0	5	2019, 2022	Erosion of natural deposits
Radium 228	N	0.15-1		pCi/1	0	5	2019, 2022	Erosion of natural deposits

TTHMs [Total Trihalomethanes]. Some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous systems, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

In the table to the left, you will find many terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms we've provided the following definitions:

Non-Detects (ND) - laboratory analysis indicates that the constituent is not present.

ND/Low - High - For water systems that have multiple sources of water, the Utah Division of Drinking Water has given water systems the option of listing the test results of the constituents in one table, instead of multiple tables. To accomplish this, the lowest and highest values detected in the multiple sources are recorded in the same space in the report table.

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 (ug/l) - one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

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

Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU) - nephelometric turbidity unit is a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person.

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

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) - The "Maximum Allowed" (MCL) is 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 "Goal"(MCLG) is 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. Date- Because of required sampling time frames i.e. yearly, 3 years, 4

years and 6 years, sampling dates may seem outdated.

MCLs are set at very stringent levels. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated constituents, 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.

