

**PUBLIC NOTIFICATION**  
**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER**  
**Homer Water System Has Levels of GROSS ALPHA Above the Drinking Water Standards**

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Our community water system recently violated a drinking water standard. Although this is not an emergency, as our customers, you have the right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we are doing to correct this situation. We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. We have been notified by the State that our water system exceeded the maximum contaminant level (MCL) for the following:

Violation ID	Compliance Period	Site #	Analyte	Concentration	MCL
2022-60820	1Q2022 – 01/01/2022 – 03/31/2022	306	4000	22 pCi/L	15 pCi/L

**What should I do?**

\*There is nothing you need to do at this time. You do not need to boil your water or take other corrective actions. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.

\*If you have 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 this water.

**What does this mean?**

This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified within 24 hours. However, *certain minerals are radioactive and may emit a form of radiation known as alpha radiation. Some people who drink water containing alpha emitters in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.*

**What happened? What is being done?** Erosion of natural deposits can be a source of radiological contaminants in water. We are taking the following corrective actions: We are working with our consulting engineers to evaluate the water supply and researching options to correct the problem. Options may include treating the water to remove the contaminant.

For more information, please contact Willard Ausburn, City of Homer at 706-677-3510 or [Wausburn@townofhomer.ga.com](mailto:Wausburn@townofhomer.ga.com)

*\*Please share this information with all the 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.*

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