

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Monitoring Requirement Not Met for Sodium

Gibson County Municipal Water District violated a drinking water standard. Even though this was not an emergency, you as a customer have a right to know what happened and what we are doing to correct this situation.

We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. During 2022, we did not monitor for **Sodium** and therefore cannot be sure of the quality of our drinking water during that time.

What should you do?

There is nothing you need to do.

The table below lists the contaminant(s) we did not properly test for, how often we are supposed to sample, how many samples we are supposed to take, how many samples we took, when samples should have been taken, and the date on which follow-up samples were (or will be) taken.

Contaminant	Required Sampling Frequency	Number of valid samples taken	When all samples should have been taken	When samples were or will be taken
Sodium	Annually	0	12/31/2022	2/7/2023

What happened? What is being done?

Gibson County Water District built a new water treatment plant near Medina in 2021. Before the new water plant was put into service, we were only required to test for Sodium once every three years. After the new water plant was put into service, the testing requirement was changed to annually for Sodium. We tested for Sodium in 2018, 2021, and 2023. We failed to test for Sodium in 2022. When we were Notified by TDEC of the violation we went ahead and tested for Sodium on 2/7/2023. All the tests before and after 2022 met safe drinking water health standards.

This violation for a missed Sodium test was mentioned as a footnote in our 2022 Consumer Confidence Report (CCR), but it failed to include all the required elements for a valid Public Notice, therefore a Public Notice violation also occurred for not issuing a valid Public Notice.

We were notified of this violation on 1/19/2024 and instructed to issue a Public Notice to our customers within 30 days. However, we were unable to issue the Notice within the required time frame and received a Late Public Notice violation.

Testing for Sodium in your drinking water will continue in 2024 and will be tested annually until TDEC approves a less frequent time period.

For more information, please contact Robert Galloway or Eddie Watkins at Gibson County Municipal Water District at 731-855-0411.

Please share this information with everyone who may drink this water, including 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. You can also obtain a copy of this Notice from our website at www.gibsoncountywater.com.