



## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER**

City of Dacono

### **Had the following Violations Identified During a Drinking Water Inspection**

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable. Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

Our water system recently violated a drinking water requirement. Although this situation is not an emergency, as our customers you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we are doing to correct this situation.

A routine drinking water inspection conducted on November 18, 2022, by the state drinking water program identified the following violations that may pose a risk to public health.

The City of Dacono has recently experienced significant turnover in the management of the water system. The Public Works Director changed once, and the Operator in Responsible Charge (ORC) company changed twice in the last year. During these changes, some documentation was lost which resulted in the violations listed below. We are working diligently to get the system back in compliance as quickly as possible.

| <b>Identified Violation</b>  | <b>Date Correction is Required</b> | <b>Steps We Are Taking</b>  |
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| M614 – Backflow Assembly Testing Compliance Ratio. Water Systems are required to have 90% of the backflow assemblies tested each year. In 2021, we were only able to prove that 62% of the backflow assemblies were tested.  | 4/14/2023                          | All of the backflow prevention assemblies have been tested and the required documentation will be submitted to the CDPHE inspector.   |
| M611 – Failure to comply with backflow assembly testing requirements. If a backflow assembly is not tested in a given year, it is required to be tested within 90 days of the activation date in the following year. 24 backflow assemblies were not tested in 2021 and 21 of these were not tested within the 90 period in 2022 | 4/14/2023                          | The remaining 21 backflow assemblies that were not tested within the 90 day period were tested and certified to be functioning properly. The required documentation will be submitted to the CDPHE inspector. |

- Inadequately treated or inadequately protected water may contain disease-causing organisms. These organisms can cause symptoms such as diarrhea, nausea, cramps, and associated headaches.
- Failure to perform the required start-up procedures prior to serving water to the public has the potential to distribute contaminated water. When our system shuts down operation, the lack of pressure in our pipes can allow the entry of bacteria and other disease-causing microorganisms into the drinking water. By performing start-up procedures such as flushing the pipes, disinfecting the water, and collecting a coliform bacteria sample before we open, we can be sure that we are providing you with safe water.
- Inadequately maintained storage tanks, identified through inspections, may allow contaminants or disease-causing organisms to enter the drinking water, which can cause diarrhea, nausea, cramps, and associated headaches.
- Uncontrolled cross-connections can lead to a back pressure or siphonage event that may allow contaminants or disease-causing organisms to enter the drinking water, which can cause diarrhea, nausea, cramps, and associated headaches.

#### **What does this mean? What should I do?**

- There is nothing you need to do at this time. If a situation arises where the water is no longer safe to drink, you will be notified within 24 hours.

This problem was resolved on **December 14, 2022**, when the final backflow assembly was tested and certified to be functioning properly.

For more information, please contact **Bobby Redd** at [BRedd@CityofDacono.com](mailto:BRedd@CityofDacono.com) or **303-833-2317 Ext. 132**, or **512 Cherry Ave. Bldg. A Dacono, CO 80514**.

*\*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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