



# CITY OF BUHL

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

#### City of Buhl Has Levels of Arsenic Above Drinking Water Standards

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

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. On December 14, 2023, we received notice that the sample collected on October 30, 2023 and the conformation sample collected on December 6 showed that our system exceeds the standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL), for arsenic. The standard for arsenic is 0.010 mg/L. The average arsenic result between the two samples was found to be 0.010895 mg/L.

#### What should I do?

- There is nothing you need to do. Do not boil your water or take other corrective actions. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.
- If you have a severely compromised immune system, have an infant, are pregnant, or are elderly, you may be at increased risk and should seek advice from your healthcare 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, some people who drink water containing arsenic in excess of the MCL over many years could experience skin damage or problems with their circulatory system, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.\**

#### What is being done?

The City of Buhl has several wells within our jurisdiction and have switched to using a well that has tested under the maximum contaminant level (MCL) at 0.0046 mg/L, while options can be evaluated. This situation has been remedied as a confirmation test was conducted on the well in question and the result came in at 0.00879 mg/L this was averaged with the test that exceeded the MCL at 0.013mg/L which calculated to 0.010895 mg/L. The City of Buhl is working with the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, engineers, and treatment plant system contractors to evaluate and research options to address this situation from occurring in the future.

For more information, please contact Charles Drown at 208-543-5650 or 203 Broadway Ave N, Buhl, ID 83316, Monday-Thursday 7 am to 6pm.

*\*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.\**

This notice is being sent to you by The City of Buhl. State Water System ID#: ID5420007.

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