

PUBLIC NOTICE
IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER
Sky Country Estates MDWCA Failed to Correct Significant Deficiencies Within Required Time Frame

Este informe contiene información importante acerca de su agua potable. Haga que alguien lo traduzca para usted, o hable con alguien que lo entienda

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

A routine sanitary survey conducted on July 13, 2023, by the New Mexico Environment Department-Water Protection Compliance & Enforcement Bureau (NMED WPCEB) found 10 significant deficiencies. One of these deficiencies has not been corrected

- **006M-No inspection of storage facility**

As required by Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) Ground Water Rule, we were required to correct these deficiencies. However, we failed to take this action by the deadline established by the NMED WPCEB.

What should I do?

- There is nothing you need to do. 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 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 health care providers about drinking this water. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

What does this mean?

This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified within 24 hours.

Inadequately treated water may contain disease-causing organisms. These organisms include bacteria, viruses, and parasites which can cause symptoms such as nausea, cramps, diarrhea, and associated headaches.

These symptoms, however, are not caused only by organisms in drinking water, but also by other factors. If you experience any of these symptoms and they persist, you may want to seek medical advice.

What is being done?

The sanitary inspection done in July 2023 resulted in the New Mexico Environment Department-Water Protection Compliance & Enforcement Bureau finding ten significant deficiencies of our water system during the sanitary survey. Nine of the deficiencies were corrected at that time. The tenth deficiency was a requirement to have our 15,000-gallon fiberglass storage tank inspected by a professional inspection firm. Due to the cost of the inspection and the probability the inspection would fail due to the age of the tank and the pad the tank sits on, it was decided to replace the tank. Our Water Improvement Project includes the replacement of the tank. The Compliance and Enforcement Bureau did give us two one-year extensions but that was the maximum number of extensions we could receive. As a result, until the Water Improvement Project installs a new water storage tank, technically we will be in violation of the sanitary survey until that time. We are anticipating the new tank will be online sometime in 2028, if not before. There is nothing you need to do. Our water is treated with chlorine, is safe and tested monthly.

For more information, please contact:

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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.