

November 15, 2022

Water Customers of the  
Auburn Water System  
Auburn, Georgia

**PUBLIC NOTIFICATION**  
**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER**  
**TTHM VIOLATION AT Auburn Water System**

The City of Auburn operates a distribution water system in which it purchases drinking water treated by Barrow County. 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 levels (MCL) for the following

<u>Quarter</u>	<u>Site #</u>	<u>Analyte</u>	<u>Concentration</u>	<u>MCL</u>
3/Q2022 – 07/01/2022 – 09/30/2022	501	TTHM	0.094 mg/L	0.080 mg/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.** If that had been necessary, you would have been notified within 24 hours. 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 his water.

**What does this mean?**

Some people who drink water containing Trihalomethanes excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous system, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer. 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. These materials are filtered by most refrigerator, tap, or pitcher filters.

**What happened? What is being done?**

The City had been executing a plan to avoid such events by regularly flushing the City's system in areas where the City staff and consultants indicated that the flushing activity

would be most effective to prevent an occurrence like this one. It appears this condition was caused when an unknown third party turned off the City's flushing of its system without authorization. To correct this matter in the future, the City intends to secure its flushing efforts. If you see an open fire hydrant discharging water, please do not attempt to turn it off. If you see anyone tampering with a hydrant or other part of the water system, please call the number below.

The City will continue to communicate with Barrow County regarding the quality of the water provided by the County. 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 e-mail. This information is also posted on the City's website.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please contact Iris Akridge at 770-963-4002, Ext. 207.

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