## IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

## Cotton County Rural Water District #2 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 are doing to correct this situation.

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. The table below shows the average amount of arsenic, in water samples from our system, exceeded the standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL), for arsenic. The standard for arsenic is 0.010 mg/l.

Sample Site	Twelve Month Period	Arsenic Running Annual Average
Chlorination Station 5 (CL005)	Second Quarter 2016 through First Quarter 2017	0.012 mg/l

Arsenic in drinking water can come from the erosion of natural deposits, or runoff from orchards, or glass and electronic production wastes.

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

## What should I do?

- There is nothing you need to do. <u>You do NOT need to boil your water</u> 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.

## What does this mean?

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

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 District has selected treatment technology to remove arsenic from the water. We are currently working with ODEQ, our Engineer and funding agencies to finalize the process.

We anticipate resolving the problem by June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

For more information, please contact David Rodriguez at (580) 875-2027 or PO Box 65 Walters, OK 73572.

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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