

# City Of Wahoo

# Annual Water Quality Report For January 1 to December 31, 2018

This report is intended to provide you with important information about your drinking water and the efforts made by the City Of Wahoo water system to provide safe drinking water.

Para Clientes Que Hablan Español: Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre el agua que usted bebe. Tradúzcalo ó hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

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If you would like to observe the decision-making processes that affect drinking water quality, please attend the regularly scheduled meeting of the Village Board/City Council. If you would like to participate in the process, please contact the Village/City Clerk to arrange to be placed on the agenda of the meeting of the Village Board/City Council.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

### Source Water Assessment Availability:

The Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality (NDEQ) has completed the Source Water Assessment. Included in the assessment are a Wellhead Protection Area map, potential contaminant source inventory, and source water protection information. To view the Source Water Assessment or for more information please contact the person named above on this report or the NDEQ at (402) 471-3376 or go to http://deq.ne.gov.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

### Sources of Drinking Water:

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and groundwater wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals

and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

The source of water used by City Of Wahoo is ground water.

#### Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

\* Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.

\* Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.

\* Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses.

\* Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.

\* Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

# Drinking Water Health Notes:

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immunocompromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791) or the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health, Office of Drinking Water at 402-471-2186.

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. All Community water systems are responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have you water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791), at http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead or at the DHHS/DPH/Office of Drinking Water (402-471-1008).

The City Of Wahoo is required to test for the following contaminants: Coliform Bacteria, Antimony, Arsenic, Asbestos, Barium, Beryllium, Cadmium, Chromium, Copper, Cyanide, Fluoride, Lead, Mercury, Nickel, Nitrate, Nitrite, Selenium, Sodium, Thallium, Alachlor, Atrazine, Benzo(a)pyrene, Carbofuran, Chlordane, Dalapon, Di(2-ethylhexyl)adipate, Dibromochloropropane, Dinoseb, Di(2-ethylhexyl)- phthalate, Diguat, 2,4-D, Endothall, Endrin, Ethylene dibromide, Glyphosate, Heptachlor, Heptachlor epoxide, Hexachlorobenzene, Hexachlorocyclopentadiene,

Lindane, Methoxychlor, Oxamyl (Vydate), Pentachlorophenol, Picloram, Polychlorinated biphenyls, Simazine, Toxaphene, Dioxin, Silvex, Benzene, Carbon Tetrachloride, o-Dichloro- benzene, Para-Dichlorobenzene, 1,2-Dichlorethane, 1,1-Dichloroethylene, Cis-1,2,-Dichloroethylene, Trans-1,2-Dichloroethylene, Dichloromethane, 1.2-Dichloropropane, Ethylbenzene, Monochlorobenzene, 1,2,4-Trichloro- benzene, 1,1,1-Trichloroethane, 1,1,2-Trichloroethane, Trichloroethylene, Vinyl Chloride, Styrene, Tetrachloroethylene, Toluene, Xylenes (total), Gross Alpha (minus Uranium & Radium 226), Radium 226 plus Radium 228, Sulfate, Chloroform, Bromodichloromethane, Chlorodibromomethane, Bromoform, Chlorobenzene, m-Dichlorobenzene, 1,1-Dichloropropene, 1,1-Dichloroethane, 1,1,2,2-Tetrachlorethane, 1,2-Dichloropropane, Chloromethane, Bromomethane, 1,2,3-Trichloropropane, 1,1,1,2-Tetrachloroethane, Chloroethane, 2,2-Dichloropropane, o-Chlorotoluene, p-Chlorotoluene, Bromobenzene, 1,3-Dichloropropene, Aldrin, Butachlor, Carbaryl, Dicamba, Dieldrin, 3-Hydroxycarbofuran, Methomyl, Metolachlor, Metribuzin, Propachlor.

#### How to Read the Water Quality Data Table:

The EPA and State Drinking Water Program establish the safe drinking water regulations that limit the amount of contaminants allowed in drinking water. The table shows the concentrations of detected substances in comparison to the regulatory limits. Substances not detected are not included in the table. The state requires monitoring of certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently. Therefore, some of this data may be older than one year. MCL (Maximum Contaminant Level) - The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology. MCLG (Maximum Contaminant Level Goal) - The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety. AL (Action Level) - The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

MRDL (Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level) – The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. N/A – Not applicable.

#### Units in the Table:

ND – Not detectable.

**ppm (parts per million) –** One ppm corresponds to 1 gallon of concentrate in 1 million gallons of water.

mg/L (milligrams per liter) - Equivalent to ppm.

**ppb (parts per billion)** – One ppb corresponds to 1 gallon of concentrate in 1 billion gallons of water.

ug/L (micrograms per liter) - Equivalent to ppb.

pCi/L (Picocuries per liter) – Radioactivity concentration unit. RAA (Running Annual Average) – An ongoing annual average calculation of data from the most recent four quarters.

LRAA (Locational Running Annual Average) – An ongoing annual average calculation of data from the most recent four quarters at each sampling location.

90<sup>th</sup> Percentile – Represents the highest value found out of 90% of the samples taken in a representative group. If the 90<sup>th</sup> percentile is greater than the action level, it will trigger a treatment or other requirements that a water system must follow.

**TT (Treatment Technique)** – A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

City Of Wahoo Microbiological Highest No. of Positive Samples MC   No Detected Results were Found in the Calendar Year of 2018 MC									EST R	ESULT	S	Da	NE3115512		
									MCL			MCLG Like	Violations Presen		
NO Delected Results	were FO	una in the	e Calenda		2016										
Lead and Copper		Monitoring Period		90 <sup>th</sup> Percentile R		nge	Unit		AL	Sites Over AL	Likely Source Of Contamination				
COPPER, FREE	2015 -	2015 - 2017 1.12		3.09		981 - 9	ppm		1.3	2	Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives; Corrosion of household plumbing.				
LEAD	2015 - 2017 1.6			1 0.515 - 2.75			ppb		15	0	Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives; Corrosion of household plumbing.				
Regulated Contaminants		Collect Date	•		R	ange	Unit	MCL		MCLG	Likely Source Of Contamination				
ANTIMONY, TOTAL		8/3/20	8/3/2016 1			).576 - .12	ppb			6	Discharge from petroleum refineries; fire retardants; ceramics; electronics; solder				
ARSENIC		12/4/20	2018 2.73		2	2.73	ppb		0	0		Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; runoff from glass a production wastes.			glass and electronics
BARIUM		7/18/20	/2018 0.129		-	).0612 0.129	ppm	2		2	Discharge from drilling wastes; Discharg deposits.		ge from metal refiner	ies; Erosion of natural	
CHROMIUM		7/18/20	2018 1.76			.33 - .76	ppb		00	100	Discha	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; Erosion of natural deposi		sits.	
DI(2-ETHYLHEXYL) PHTHALATE		9/11/2	018	3.33		3.33	ppb 6			0	Discharge from rubber and chemical factories				
FLUORIDE		10/24/2	/2018 0.368		-	).335 - .368	nnm			4	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; Fertilizer discharge.				
NITRATE-NITRITE		3/7/20	18	6.61	2.16 - 6.61		ppm	om 10		10		Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, see deposits		n septic tanks, sewaç	e; Erosion of natural
SELENIUM		10/24/2	2018	6.52	3.83 - 6.52		ppb	ppb 50		50 Erosion		rosion of natural deposits			
Radiological Contaminants		Coll Date	ection	Highe Value				Unit MCL		MCLG	Likely Source Of Contamination				
COMBINED RADIUM (-226 & 228)		- 5/2/2	2018	1.26	26 1.03		.26 pCi/L		5	0	Erosion of natural deposits				
GRÓSS ALPHA, INCL. RADON & U			2018	5.97	4.67 - 5.9			oCi/L	15	0	Erosion of natural deposits				
RADIUM-228		5/2/2	2018	1.26		1.08 - 1	1.26	oCi/L		0	Eros	on of natural deposits	6		
Unregulated Water	Quality I	Data			Co	ollection	Date		Hig	hest Value	•	Range	Unit	Secondary MC	L
NICKEL					8/3/2016			0.001				0.00103 - 0.00192	mg/L	0.1	
SULFATE 4/25/2016							71.2				24 - 71.2	mg/L	250		
uring the 2018 cale	ndar yea	r, we had	d the bel	ow noted v	/iolat	tion(s) of	f drinki	ng wa	ter regu	lations.					
Type Category									Analyte					Compliance Pe	eriod
No Violations Occurr	ed in the	Calenda	r Year of	2018											

The City Of Wahoo has taken the following actions to return to compliance with the Nebraska Safe Drinking Water Act:

There are no additional required health effects notices.

There are no additional required health effects violation notices.