



2021 Consumer Confidence Report

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This report contains important information about your drinking water. Translate it, or speak with someone who understands it.

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable. Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

| General Manager's Message

The Elk Grove Water District (EGWD) has prepared this annual drinking water quality report, also known as a Consumer Confidence Report, to inform our customers about the quality of our drinking water delivered throughout our service area. EGWD prides itself on providing reliable, high quality drinking water that meets all state and federal drinking water standards, as well as providing an exceptional level of customer care.

This report includes a detailed summary of the constituents detected in your drinking water. You will find information regarding Sacramento County Water Agency's (SCWA) water quality along with EGWD water quality because a portion of the EGWD's service area receives water purchased from SCWA under a wholesale contract. Please refer to the map on page 2 to determine which agency produces your water. In this report you will also find information regarding the sources of your drinking water, important statements for vulnerable populations, and other general information.

From all of us here at the EGWD, it is a privilege to serve you. If you have any questions about this report, please call (916) 685-3556.

-Bruce Kamilos

| What's in Your Water?

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and 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.

Contaminants that may be present in the source water include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria that may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, that can be naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides that may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals that are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, agricultural application, and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants that can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) prescribe regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) regulations also establish limits for contaminants in bottled water that provide the same protection for public health.

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 USEPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

| Sources of Your Water

Water is supplied by two providers, EGWD and SCWA, as follows:

Service Area 1 – Local groundwater from EGWD
Service Area 2 – Local groundwater from SCWA, with periodic Sacramento River water from SCWA

Some wells in both Service Area 1 and 2 are treated to remove arsenic, iron and manganese. These treatment facilities also remove amounts of other similar constituents, such as barium. Some of the data presented in this report reflects the well water quality before treatment, so the water that you are provided may have lower levels of some of the reported constituents after treatment.

Source water assessments have been conducted for all the water sources to enable EGWD and SCWA to understand the activities that have the greatest potential for contaminating the drinking water supplies. EGWD groundwater sources were assessed in 2003 and 2009. SCWA groundwater sources were assessed in 2019. These assessments were conducted in accordance with State Water Board guidelines and copies of the complete assessments are available for review at the respective agency offices.

EGWD and SCWA's assessment of their groundwater wells found no detections of contaminants associated with any activities. Due to their locations, the wells are considered most vulnerable to contamination from gas stations, boat services, chemical/petroleum pipelines and storage, dry cleaners, electronic manufacturing, fleet/truck/bus terminals, grazing, historical waste dumps/landfills, leaking underground storage tanks, other animal operations, pesticides/fertilizer/petroleum storage transfer areas, photo processing, plastics/synthetics producers, research laboratories, agricultural/irrigation wells, oil/gas wells, wood preserving/ treating, and sewer collection systems.

SCWA's assessment of the Sacramento River found it to be most vulnerable to potential contamination from recreation activities, including body and non-body contact, illegal activities and dumping, stormwater runoff, industrial permitted discharges, and leaking underground storage tanks. The Sacramento River water is treated using conventional filtration and disinfection that is designed to remove any contaminants.

Service Area 2 is provided treated water from SCWA that is fluoridated. In 2021, fluoride in SCWA's treated water was at optimal levels, ranging from 0.58–0.89 mg/L and



averaging 0.69 mg/L. Information about fluoridation, oral health and current issues is available from the State Water Board at: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking_water/certlic/drinkingwater/Fluoridation.html.

| A Note for Sensitive Populations

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised 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. USEPA/Centers for Disease Control (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 (1-800-426-4791).

| Cryptosporidium in Surface Water

Cryptosporidium is a microbial pathogen found in surface water throughout the United States. Although filtration removes Cryptosporidium, the most commonly-used filtration methods cannot guarantee 100 percent removal. SCWA periodically provides treated surface water to Service Area 2 and their monitoring indicates the low-level presence of these organisms in the source water, the Sacramento River.

| Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring

USEPA uses the Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule (UCMR) to collect data for constituents suspected to be present in drinking water that do not have drinking water standards to determine whether the constituents need to be regulated. UCMR 4 required monitoring in

2018–2019 unregulated-contaminant-monitoring-rule. for nine cyanotoxins and one cyanotoxin group; two metals; eight pesticides and one pesticide manufacturing byproduct; three alcohols; and three semivolatile organic chemicals. UCMR 4 constituents detected in monitoring conducted by EGWD and SCWA are presented in the adjacent table. More information about UCMR 4 is available from the USEPA at: <https://www.epa.gov/dwucmr/fourthunregulated-contami>

| Per- & Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Monitoring

The State Water Board established drinking water guidelines in 2019 for water agencies to follow in detecting and reporting the presence of PFAS, including the chemicals perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) and perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS). PFOA and PFOS are chemicals that were used in many consumer products for their non-stick and grease- and stain-resistant properties, and also in firefighting foams. People are exposed to PFOA and PFOS through food, food packaging, consumer products, house dust, and drinking water. Contamination of drinking water is usually associated with a specific drinking water facility and its relative location to where these chemicals were used or produced. Monitoring conducted by EGWD and SCWA occasionally detected the presence of these substances in some groundwater supply wells. Results were less than notification levels at all EGWD wells and all but one SCWA well in the service area. A notification level is the concentration level that, based on available scientific information, does not pose a significant health risk but warrants informing the public of its presence. PFOA was detected in the one SCWA well at a concentration of 5.2 parts per trillion (PPT) as a running annual average and a maximum concentration of 5.5 PPT; the State Water Board notification level is 5.1 PPT. All PFOA results were less than the State Water Board response level of 10 PPT, which is the level at which the State Water Board requires taking the water source out of service or providing public notification within 30 days of detection. More information on PFAS, PFOA, and PFOS is available from the State Water Board at https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking_water/certlic/drinking_water/PFOA_PFOS.html.

| General Information on Lead

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. EGWD is 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 your 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 (1-800-426-4791) or at <http://www.epa.gov/lead>.

EGWD tests customer tap samples every three years for lead, most recently in 2019. Lead was not detected in any water samples.

| General Information on Arsenic

While your drinking water meets the federal and state standard for arsenic, it does contain low levels of arsenic. The arsenic standard balances the current understanding of arsenic's possible health effects against the costs of removing arsenic from drinking water. The USEPA continues to research the health effects of low levels of arsenic, which is a mineral known to cause cancer in humans at high concentrations and is linked to other health effects such as skin damage and circulatory problems.

| Get More Information

Learn more about the EGWD by visiting www.egwd.org, or by attending a monthly public Board Meeting held every 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6:00pm. The District office is open Monday through Thursday from 7:30am to 5:00pm, and every other Friday from 7:30am to 4:00pm. The District office is located at 9257 Elk Grove Blvd., Elk Grove, California, 95624. If you have any questions please call Bruce Kamilos, General Manager at (916) 685-3556.



DETECTED PRIMARY DRINKING WATER CONSTITUENTS (Regulated to protect your health)													
CONSTITUENT	UNITS	PHG or (MCLG) or [MRDLG]	MCL or [MRDL]	EGWD Service Area 1 (Groundwater)			EGWD Service Area 2 (SCWA Groundwater)			EGWD Service Area 2 (SCWA Surface Water)			MAJOR SOURCES
				RANGE	AVERAGE	YEAR SAMPLED	RANGE	AVERAGE	YEAR SAMPLED	RANGE	AVERAGE	YEAR SAMPLED	
Arsenic	PPB	0.004	10	ND - 5.9	5.9	2021	ND - 8.7	ND	2015 - 2021	ND - 2	ND	2015 - 2021	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; glass and electronics production wastes
Barium	PPM	2	1	ND - 0.12	ND	2020	ND - 0.87	ND	2015 - 2021	ND	ND	2015 - 2021	Erosion of natural deposits; wastes from metal refineries
Chromium (Total)	PPB	(100)	50	ND	ND	2020	ND - 10	ND	2015 - 2021	ND	ND	2015 - 2021	Erosion of natural deposits; discharge from pulp mills and chrome plating
Fluoride (Natural Source)	PPM	1	2	ND - 0.11	ND	2020	ND - 0.68	0.16	2020 - 2021	ND	ND	2020 - 2021	Erosion of natural deposits
Nitrate (as Nitrogen)	PPM	10	10	ND - 4.5	1.7	2020	ND - 3.6	0.42	2020 - 2021	ND	ND	2020 - 2021	Runoff and leaching from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks and sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Gross Alpha	pCi/L	(0)	15	ND	ND	2020	ND - 5.1	ND	2015 - 2021	ND	ND	2015 - 2021	Erosion of natural deposits
Uranium	pCi/L	0.43	20	ND - 2.3	ND	2020	ND - 2.71	ND	2015 - 2021	ND	ND	2015 - 2021	Erosion of natural deposits
Radium 226	pCi/L	0.05	5 (a)	ND	ND	2020	ND - 2.42	ND	2006 - 2021	ND	ND	2006 - 2021	Erosion of natural deposits

SURFACE WATER TREATMENT DATA (Regulated to protect your health)													
CONSTITUENT	UNITS	PHG OR (MCLG)	MCL	LEVEL FOUND	YEAR SAMPLED	LEVEL FOUND	YEAR SAMPLED	LEVEL FOUND	YEAR SAMPLED	MAJOR SOURCES			
Control of Disinfection By-Product Precursors (Total Organic Carbon) (b)	PPM	N/A	TT = 2	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.73 - 1.2	0.97	2021	Various natural and manmade sources		
Turbidity (b)	NTU	N/A	TT = 1 NTU	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.091 (c)		2021	Soil runoff		
	% Samples	N/A	TT = 95% of Samples ≤ 0.3 NTU	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	100% (d)					

DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM DATA (Including both Service Area 1 and Service Area 2)													
CONSTITUENT	UNITS	PHG or (MCLG) or [MRDLG]	MCL or [MRDL]	RANGE	AVERAGE	YEAR SAMPLED	MAJOR SOURCES						
Chlorine Residual	PPM	[4]	[4]	0.6 - 2.1	1.0	2021	Drinking water disinfectant added for treatment						
Total Trihalomethanes	PPB	N/A	80	ND - 40	11 (e)	2021	By-product of drinking water disinfection						
Haloacetic Acids	PPB	N/A	60	ND - 21	5 (e)	2021	By-product of drinking water disinfection						
CONSTITUENT	UNITS	PHG OR (MCLG)	AL	90th PERCENTILE	# OF SITES SAMPLED/# EXCEED AL	YEAR SAMPLED	MAJOR SOURCES						
Copper	PPM	0.3	1.3	0.14	36/0	2019	Internal corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits						
CONSTITUENT	UNITS	PHG OR (MCLG)	MCL	HIGHEST PERCENTAGE OF POSITIVE SAMPLES	# MONTHS WITH POSITIVE SAMPLE	YEAR SAMPLED	MAJOR SOURCES						
Total Coliform Bacteria	% Samples	(0)	No more than 5% monthly samples positive	0.0%	0	2021	Naturally present in the environment						

DETECTED SECONDARY DRINKING WATER CONSTITUENTS (Regulated for aesthetic qualities)													
CONSTITUENT	UNITS	PHG or (MCLG)	MCL	EGWD Service Area 1 (Groundwater)			EGWD Service Area 2 (SCWA Groundwater)			EGWD Service Area 2 (SCWA Surface Water)			MAJOR SOURCES
				RANGE	AVERAGE	YEAR SAMPLED	RANGE	AVERAGE	YEAR SAMPLED	RANGE	AVERAGE	YEAR SAMPLED	
Iron	PPB	N/A	300	ND - 120	ND	2021	ND - 220	ND	2020 - 2021	ND	ND	2020 - 2021	Leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes
Manganese	PPB	N/A	50	ND	ND	2021	ND - 23	ND	2020 - 2021	ND	ND	2020 - 2021	Leaching from natural deposits
Total Dissolved Solids	PPM	N/A	1,000	180 - 350	248	2020	170 - 710	237	2018 - 2021	87 - 110	99	2018 - 2021	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits
Specific Conductance	µS/CM	N/A	1,600	220 - 530	348	2020	200 - 1,200	317	2018 - 2021	56 - 170	113	2018 - 2021	Substances that form ions when in water
Sulfate	PPM	N/A	500	0.97 - 13	8.3	2020	ND - 13	2.4	2018 - 2021	3.0 - 5.2	4.1	2018 - 2021	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes
Chloride	PPM	N/A	500	4.6 - 21	12	2020	5 - 270	29	2018 - 2021	3.6 - 6.3	5.0	2018 - 2021	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits
Turbidity	NTU	N/A	5	ND - 0.11	0.08	2020	ND - 0.38	0.14	2018 - 2021	ND	ND	2018 - 2021	Soil runoff
Odor	TON	N/A	3	ND - 1.3	ND	2020	ND - 2	ND	2018 - 2021	1.5	1.5	2018 - 2021	Naturally-occurring organic materials

OTHER PARAMETERS OF INTEREST TO CUSTOMERS													
CONSTITUENT	UNITS	PHG or (MCLG)	MCL	EGWD Service Area 1 (Groundwater)			EGWD Service Area 2 (SCWA Groundwater)			EGWD Service Area 2 (SCWA Surface Water)			MAJOR SOURCES
				RANGE	AVERAGE	YEAR SAMPLED	RANGE	AVERAGE	YEAR SAMPLED	RANGE	AVERAGE	YEAR SAMPLED	
Hardness	PPM	N/A	NONE	70 - 230	132	2020	20 - 330	94	2018 - 2021	51 - 62	57	2018 - 2021	The sum of polyvalent cations present in the water, generally naturally occurring magnesium and calcium
Bicarbonate Alkalinity	PPM	N/A	NONE	100 - 220	148	2020	110 - 280	141	2018 - 2021	62 - 86	72	2018 - 2021	The measurement of the ion contributing to the ability to neutralize acids in water
Sodium	PPM	N/A	NONE	18 - 22	20	2020	16 - 120	32	2018 - 2021	8.7 - 12	10	2018 - 2021	Naturally occurring salt in the water
Calcium	PPM	N/A	NONE	14 - 42	25	2020	4.4 - 73	20	2018 - 2021	11 - 13	12	2018 - 2021	Erosion of natural deposits
Magnesium	PPM	N/A	NONE	8.7 - 30	17	2020	2 - 34	11	2018 - 2021	6.1 - 7.4	6.8	2018 - 2021	Erosion of natural deposits

(a)--For combined radium-226 and radium-228. Radium-228 was not detected.
(b)--Only surface water sources must comply with the public drinking water standard for control of disinfection by-product precursors and turbidity.
(c)--Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of the water. It is monitored because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of the filtration system. Value is highest single measurement during 2021.
(d)--100% of samples were below the turbidity limit of 0.3 NTU during 2021.
(e)--Value is highest locational running annual average. Locational running annual averages are based on results from previous quarters in 2020, whereas the range is solely for 2021.
The State allows monitoring of some contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently. Some of the data, though representative, are more than one year old.

Detected UCMR 4 Constituents: Raw and Treated Water									
Constituent	Units	EGWD Service Area 1 (Groundwater)		EGWD Service Area 2 (SCWA Groundwater)		EGWD Service Area 2 (SCWA Surface Water)		Year Sampled	Potential Sources
		RANGE	AVERAGE	RANGE	AVERAGE	RANGE	AVERAGE		
Bromide	PPB	0 - 150	43	NR	NR	ND - 25	5	2018 - 2019	Natural deposits
Germanium	PPB	ND - 1.7	0.6	ND - 1.9	0.84	ND	ND	2018 - 2019	Natural deposits
Manganese	PPB	0.6 - 28	9.0	ND - 25	6.3	ND - 1.2	0.3	2018 - 2019	Natural deposits
Total Organic Carbon	PPM	ND	ND	NR	NR	1.4 - 2.8	2.0	2018 - 2019	Natural organic matter

Detected UCMR 4 Constituents: Distribution System									
Constituent	Units	RANGE		AVERAGE		Year Sampled	Potential Sources		
HAA5	PPB	ND - 0.35		ND		2018 - 2019	Disinfection byproduct		
HAABr	PPB	ND - 0.35		ND		2018 - 2019	Disinfection byproduct		
HAA9	PPB	ND - 0.35		ND		2018 - 2019	Disinfection byproduct		

| Water Quality Definitions

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) - The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. Primary MCLs are set as close to the PHGs (or MCLGs) as is economically and technologically feasible. Secondary MCLs are set to protect the odor, taste, and appearance of drinking water.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) - The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs are set by the USEPA.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL) - The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG) - The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

Primary Drinking Water Standard (PDWS) - MCLs, MRDLs and TTs for contaminants that affect health along with their monitoring and reporting requirements.

Public Health Goal (PHG) - The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. PHGs are set by the California Environmental Protection Agency.

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

Regulatory Action Level (AL) - The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system must follow.

N/A – Not applicable

ND – Not detected

NR – Not required

NTU – Nephelometric turbidity unit

pCi/L – Picocuries per liter

PPM – Parts per million (milligrams per liter)

PPB – Parts per billion (micrograms per liter)

TON – Threshold odor number

µS/cm – One millionth of a Siemen per centimeter

