

City of Ripon  
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Ripon, CA 95366

**This notice is being sent to you by the City of Ripon**

**State Water System Number ID #391007**

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## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER**

### **The City of Ripon Water System Has Levels of Hexavalent Chromium Above the Drinking Water Standard**

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

This is not an emergency.

The City of Ripon continuously monitors for the presence of drinking water contaminants. Water sample results at Well 19 (located at Mistlin Sports Park) received during the period of February 25, 2025 to November 18, 2025 showed hexavalent chromium levels of 0.0107 milligrams per liter (mg/L) or 10.7 parts per billion (ppb). This is above the State standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL), of 0.010 mg/L or 10 ppb.

As our customers, you have a right to know what you should do, what happened, and what we are doing to correct this situation.

### **What should you do?**

- **You do not need to use an alternative water supply (e.g., bottled water).**
- This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately. However, *some people who drink water containing hexavalent chromium in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.*
- If you have other health issues concerning the consumption of this water, you may wish to consult your doctor.

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

- A new Hexavalent Chromium MCL of 0.010 mg/L became effective October 1, 2024.
- Hexavalent Chromium was detected at levels that exceed the MCL.
- A water system the size of Ripon's is not considered in violation of the MCL for Hexavalent Chromium until after October 1, 2027.
- The City is working to complete a Hexavalent Chromium Compliance Plan that will be reviewed and approved by the State Water Resources Control Board.
- The Compliance Plan will address the steps necessary for the City to comply with the MCL by the October 1, 2027 deadline.
- The City of Ripon is working with the State Water Resources Control Board to address this exceedance and comply with the MCL prior to the violation deadline of October 1, 2027.

For more information, please contact James Pease at (209) 599-2108 or via email at [jpease@cityofripon.org](mailto:jpease@cityofripon.org).

*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 public notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.*

**If you are a school or school system, the owner or operator of residential rental property, or the owner or operator of a business property, then you are legally required to notify the following people of the information in this notice within ten days of your receipt of this notice:**

- **SCHOOLS:** You must notify school employees, students, and parents (if the students are minors).
- **RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROPERTY OWNERS OR MANAGERS** (including nursing homes and care facilities): You must notify tenants.
- **BUSINESS PROPERTY OWNERS, MANAGERS, OR OPERATORS:** You must notify employees of businesses located on the property.
- If you fail to notify the above people, you shall be civilly liable up to \$1,000 per day for each day that you fail to notify them. (Health & Saf. Code, §§ 116450, subd. (g); 116650, subd. (e).)