

What's On Tap?



2016 WATER QUALITY REPORT FOR THE TOWN OF WESTLAKE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT * PUBLISHED ANNUALLY * FREE

TCEQ Assessed Source Waters



A Source Water Susceptibility Assessment for your drinking water sources has been updated by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. This information describes the susceptibility and types of constituents that may come into contact with your drinking water source based on human activities and natural conditions. The information contained in the assessment allows us to focus our source water protection strategies. Further details about sources and source-water assessments are available in Drinking Water Watch at <http://dww.tceq.texas.gov/DWW>.

Fort Worth uses surface water from six lakes — Lake Bridgeport, Eagle Mountain Lake, Lake Worth, Benbrook Lake, Cedar Creek Lake and Richland-Chambers Reservoir, Clear Fork Trinity River.

Fort Worth owns Lake Worth. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is responsible for Benbrook Lake. The other four lakes are owned and operated by Tarrant Regional Water District (TRWD).

Fort Worth monitors water quality in Lake Worth and participates with TRWD to ensure the other lakes are regularly tested.

-SPECIAL NOTICE-



Health Information for Special Populations

You may be more vulnerable than the general population to certain microbial contaminants, such as Cryptosporidium, in drinking water. Infants, some elderly or immune-compromised persons, such as those undergoing chemotherapy for cancer, those who have undergone organ transplants, those who are undergoing treatment with steroids and people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders can be particularly at risk from infections.

You should seek advice about drinking water from your physician or health care provider. Additional guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 800-426-4791.

Substances Expected To Be In Drinking Water



Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of these contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk.

More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 800-426-4791 or visiting the EPA Web site at www.epa.gov/safewater.

As water travels over the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and radioactive material. It also can pick up substances resulting from animal waste or human activity.

These contaminants could be bacteria, viruses, salts, metals, pesticides, organic chemical contaminants, or radioactive contaminants.

To ensure tap water is safe to drink, EPA and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) have regulations limiting the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public systems.

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulates limits for contaminants in bottled water. These limits must provide the same public health protection as tap water standards.

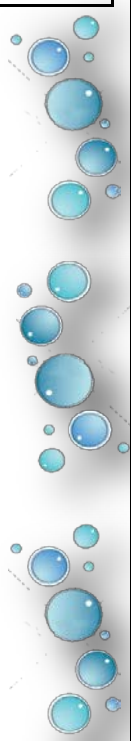
Contaminants may be found in drinking water that may cause taste, color or odor problems. These types of problems are not necessarily causes for health concerns. For more information on the taste, odor or color of drinking water, call the Water Department at 817-430-0941.



What's in the Water

Contaminant	Measure	MCL	2016 Level	Range of Detects	MCLG	Common Sources
Beta particles & Photon emitters	pCi/L	50	5.6	4 To 5.6	N/A	Decay of natural and man-made deposits of certain minerals that are radioactive and may emit forms of radiation known as photons and beta radiation
Fluoride	ppm	4	0.50	0.23 To 0.50	4	Water additive which promotes strong teeth; erosion of natural deposits; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Nitrate (measured as Nitrogen)	ppm	10	1	0.562 To 0.562	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Nitrite (measured as Nitrogen)	ppm	1	0.266	0.006 To 0.266	1	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Bromate	ppb	10	5.50	0 To 10.4	0	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Haloacetic Acids	ppb	60	13	9 To 14.8	N/A	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Total Trihalomethanes	ppb	80	11	4.04 To 14.5	N/A	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Total Coliforms (including fecal coliform & E. coli)	% of positive samples	Present in 5% of monthly samples	Presence in 2.3% of monthly samples	0.4 To 2.3%	0	Coliforms are naturally present in the environment as well as feces; fecal coliforms and E. coli only come from human and animal fecal waste
Turbidity ¹	NTU	TT	0.36 Highest single result	N/A	N/A	Soil runoff
Disinfectant	Measure	MRDL	2016 Level	Range of Detects	MRDLG	Common Sources
Chloramines	ppm	4	3.15	0.50 To 3.15	4	Water additive used to control microbes
Contaminant	High	Low	Average	MCL	MCLG	Common Sources
Total Organic Carbon ²	1	1	1	TT = % removal	N/A	Naturally occurring
Contaminant	Measure	MCL	# of sites exceeding action level	90th Percentile ³	MCLG	Common Sources of Substance in Drinking Water
Lead ³	ppb	Action Level = 15	1	6.2	0	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits
Copper ³	ppm	Action Level = 1.3	0	0.5	1.3	Erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives; corrosion of household plumbing systems

1. Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of water. It is monitored because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of the filtration system.
2. Total Organic Carbon is used to determine disinfection by-product precursors. Fort Worth was in compliance with all monitoring and treatment technique requirements for disinfection by-product precursors.
3. 90th percentile value: 90% of the samples were at or below this value. EPA considers the 90th percentile value the same as an "average" value for other contaminants. Lead and copper are regulated by a treatment technique that requires systems to control the corrosiveness of their water. If more than 10% of tap water samples exceed the action level, water systems must take additional samples. 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. This water supply 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 or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.



Contaminant	Unit	2016 Level	MCL	MCLG	Common Sources
Bromoform	ppb	<1.0	Not regulated	N/A	By-product of drinking water disinfection; not regulated individually; included in Total Trihalomethanes
Bromodichloromethane	ppb	5.07	Not regulated	N/A	
Chloroform	ppb	6.22	Not regulated	N/A	
Dibromochloromethane	ppb	3.17	Not regulated	N/A	

Abbreviations Used in Tables

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

Level 1 assessment – A Level 1 assessment is a study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why total coliform bacteria were found.

Level 2 assessment – A Level 2 assessment is a very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why an *Escherichia coli* (E. coli) maximum contaminant level (MCL) violation has occurred and/or why total coliform bacteria were found on multiple occasions.

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.

MRDL - Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level; 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.

MRDLG - Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal; 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.

N/A - Not Applicable.

NTU - Nephelometric Turbidity Unit; a measure of water turbidity or clarity.

pCi/L - Picocuries per liter; a measure of radioactivity.

ppb - Parts per billion or micrograms per liter (µg/L).

ppm - Parts per million or milligrams per liter (mg/L).

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



Additional Parameters

This chart lists other items for which the water is tested. These items do not relate to public health but rather to the aesthetic effects. These items are often important to industrial users.

Item	Measure	2016 Level
Bicarbonate	Ppm	112 - 145
Calcium	Ppm	41.1 - 58
Chloride	Ppm	15.8 - 20.2
Conductivity	µmhos/cm	322 - 396
pH	Units	8.1 - 8.4
Magnesium	Ppm	4.63 - 5.86
Sodium	Ppm	15.1 - 17.8
Sulfate	Ppm	15.8 - 29.9
Total Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	Ppm	112 - 145
Total Dissolved Solids	Ppm	180 - 227
Total Hardness as CaCO ₃	Ppm	126 - 164
Total Hardness in Grains	grains/gallon	7 - 10

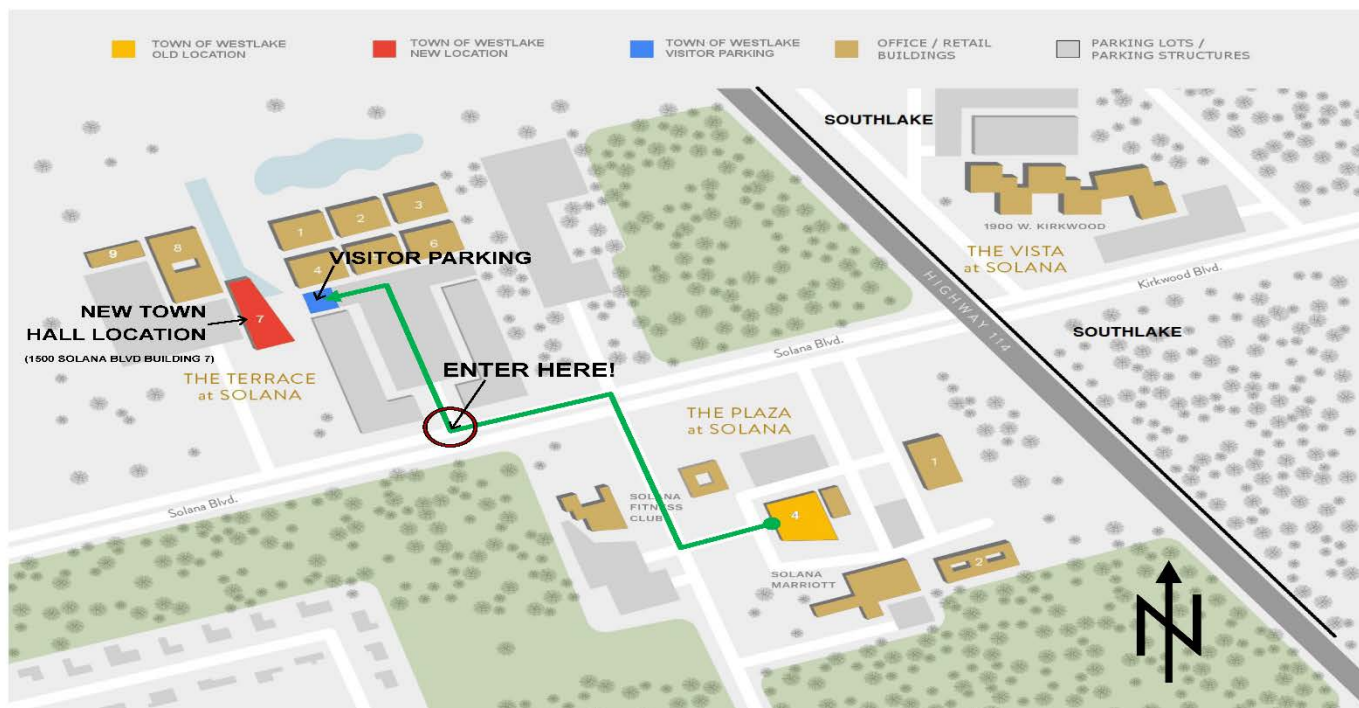


For questions or concerns regarding this Water Quality Report please contact Jarrod Greenwood, Public Works Director/Assistant to the Town Manager at jgreenwood@westlake-tx.org or (817) 490-5717.

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Effective July 26, 2017, we are moving to a new location!



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Microorganism testing shows low detections in raw water

Tarrant Regional Water District monitors the raw water at all intake sites for *Cryptosporidium*, *Giardia Lamblia* and viruses. The source is human and animal fecal waste in the watershed.



The 2016 sampling showed low level detections of *Cryptosporidium*, *Giardia Lamblia* and viruses that are common in surface water. The table below indicates when detections were found in each raw water source.

Cryptosporidium and *Giardia Lamblia* monitoring is done monthly. Virus monitoring is performed four times a year in January, March, July and September. Viruses are treated through disinfection processes. *Cryptosporidium* and *Giardia Lamblia* are removed through disinfection and/or filtration.

Intake Location	<i>Cryptosporidium</i>	<i>Giardia Lamblia</i>	Adenovirus	Enterovirus	Astrovirus	Rotavirus
Richland-Chambers Reservoir	Not detected	Not detected	Not detected	Not detected	Not detected	Not detected
Cedar Creek Lake	Not detected	Not detected	Not detected	Not detected	Not detected	Not detected
Lake Benbrook	Not detected	August	January	Not detected	Not detected	Not detected
Eagle Mountain Lake	Not detected	Not detected	Not detected	Not detected	Not detected	Not detected
Lake Worth	Not detected	June	January & September	Not detected	Not detected	Not detected
Clearfork of Trinity River	June & August	May, June, August, September, November	January & March	Not detected	Not detected	Not detected



Water Conservation

WATER CONSERVATION SCHEDULE

STAGE 1 – WATER WATCH

Prohibited: Outdoor watering with sprinklers or irrigation systems between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Limited to twice per week: Landscape watering with sprinklers or irrigation systems at each service address is limited to a twice per week schedule.

STAGE 2 – WATER WARNING

Prohibited: Outdoor watering with sprinklers or irrigation systems between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Restricted to once every seven days: Outdoor watering with sprinklers or irrigation systems at each service address shall be restricted to a once per week schedule.

STAGE 3 – WATER EMERGENCY

Prohibited: ALL outdoor watering.

WESTLAKE YEAR ROUND WATERING SCHEDULE

Monday – No watering allowed

Tuesday and Friday – Non-residential sites (businesses, sports fields, parks, common areas, HOAs)

Wednesday and Saturday – Residential addresses ending in even numbers: 0, 2, 4, 6, 8

Thursday and Sunday – Residential addresses ending in odd numbers: 1, 3, 5, 7, 9

For water/sewer emergencies and after hours,
please call (817) 680-1422.

For questions regarding our Westlake water and sewer services, please contact
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For additional information about water conservation, please visit: SaveTarrantWater.com



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