

SCHUYLER COUNTY CONSOLIDATED PWSD 1

Public Water System ID Number: MO2024559

2021 Annual Water Quality Report

(Consumer Confidence Report)

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

Attention!

Este informe contiene información muy importante. Tradúscalo o pregúntele a alguien que lo entienda bien.

[Translated: This report contains very important information. Translate or ask someone who understands this very well.]

What is the source of my 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.

Our water comes from the following source(s):

Our drinking water is supplied from another water system through a Consecutive Connection (CC). To find out more about our drinking water sources and additional chemical sampling results, please contact our office at the number provided below.

Buyer Name	Seller Name
SCHUYLER COUNTY CONSOLIDATED PWSD 1	RATHBUN REGIONAL WATER ASSOCIATION

Source Water Assessment

The Department of Natural Resources conducted a source water assessment to determine the susceptibility of our water source to potential contaminants. This process involved the establishment of source water area delineations for each well or surface water intake and then a contaminant inventory was performed within those delineated areas to assess potential threats to each source. Assessment maps and summary information sheets are available on the internet at <https://drinkingwater.missouri.edu/>. The Missouri Source Water Protection and Assessment maps and information sheets provide a foundation upon which a more comprehensive source water protection plan can be developed.

Why are there contaminants in my water?

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 Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- A. **Microbial contaminants**, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- B. **Inorganic contaminants**, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- C. **Pesticides and herbicides**, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses.
- D. **Organic chemical contaminants**, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are byproducts of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.
- E. **Radioactive contaminants**, which 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 Department of Natural Resources prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Department of Health regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Is our water system meeting other rules that govern our operations?

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources regulates our water system and requires us to test our water on a regular basis to ensure its safety. Our system has been assigned the identification number MO2024559 for the purposes of tracking our test results. Last year, we tested for a variety of contaminants. The detectable results of these tests are on the following pages of this report. Any violations of state requirements or standards will be further explained later in this report.

If you would like to observe the decision-making process that affect drinking water quality or if you have any further questions about your drinking water report, please call us at **660-766-2497** to inquire about scheduled meetings or contact persons.

Do I need to take any special precautions?

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).

Terms and Abbreviations

- Population:** 3482. This is the equivalent residential population served including non-billing paying customers.
- 90th percentile:** For Lead and Copper testing. 10% of test results are above this level and 90% are below this level.
- AL:** Action Level, or the concentration of a contaminant which, when exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
- HAA5:** Haloacetic Acids (mono-, di- and tri-chloroacetic acid, and mono- and di-bromoacetic acid) as a group.
- LRAA:** Locational Running Annual Average, or the locational average of sample analytical results for samples taken during the previous four calendar quarters.
- MCLG:** Maximum Contaminant Level Goal, or 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.
- MCL:** Maximum Contaminant Level, or 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.
- n/a:** not applicable.
- nd:** not detectable at testing limits.
- NTU:** Nephelometric Turbidity Unit, used to measure cloudiness in drinking water.
- ppb:** parts per billion or micrograms per liter.
- ppm:** parts per million or milligrams per liter.
- RAA:** Running Annual Average, or the average of sample analytical results for samples taken during the previous four calendar quarters.
- Range of Results:** Shows the lowest and highest levels found during a testing period. If only one sample was taken, then this number equals the Highest Test Result or Highest Value.
- SMCL:** Secondary Maximum Contaminant Level, or the secondary standards that are non-enforceable guidelines for contaminants and may cause cosmetic effects (such as skin or tooth discoloration) or aesthetic effects (such as taste, odor or color) in drinking water. EPA recommends these standards but does not require water systems to comply.
- TT:** Treatment Technique, or a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
- THM:** Total Trihalomethanes (chloroform, bromodichloromethane, dibromochloromethane, and bromoform) as a group.



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How might I become actively involved?

2021 WATER QUALITY REPORT FOR RATHBUN REGIONAL WATER ASSN (RATHBUN)

This report contains important information regarding the water quality in our water system. The source of our water is surface water. Our water quality testing shows the following results:

CONTAMINANT	MCL - (MCLG)	Compliance		Date	Violation Yes/No	Source
		Type	Value & (Range)			
Total Trihalomethanes (ppb) [TTHM] DB01	80 (N/A)	LRAA	41 (34 - 48)	4 th Quarter 2021	No	By-products of drinking water chlorination
Total Trihalomethanes (ppb) [TTHM] DB02	80 (N/A)	LRAA	42 (34 - 56)	1 st Quarter 2021	No	By-products of drinking water chlorination
Total Trihalomethanes (ppb) [TTHM] DB03	80 (N/A)	LRAA	40 (29 - 53)	1 st Quarter 2021	No	By-products of drinking water chlorination
Total Trihalomethanes (ppb) [TTHM] DB04	80 (N/A)	LRAA	43 (38 - 57)	4 th Quarter 2021	No	By-products of drinking water chlorination
Total Haloacetic Acids (ppb) [HAA5] DB01	60 (N/A)	LRAA	18 (14 - 19)	1 st Quarter 2021	No	By-products of drinking water disinfection
Total Haloacetic Acids (ppb) [HAA5] DB02	60 (N/A)	LRAA	20 (14 - 18)	1 st Quarter 2021	No	By-products of drinking water disinfection
Total Haloacetic Acids (ppb) [HAA5] DB03	60 (N/A)	LRAA	19 (12 - 18)	1 st Quarter 2021	No	By-products of drinking water disinfection
Total Haloacetic Acids (ppb) [HAA5] DB04	60 (N/A)	LRAA	21 (12 - 20)	1 st Quarter 2021	No	By-products of drinking water disinfection
Copper (ppm)	AL=1.3 (1.3)	90th	0.25 (0.05 - 0.49)	2020	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives
Lead (ppb)	AL=15 (0)	90th	1.00 (ND - 3)	2020	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits
950 - DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM						
Chlorine (ppm)	MRDL=4.0 (MRDLG=4.0)	RAA	2.95 (2.74 - 3.29)	1 st Quarter 2021	No	Water additive used to control microbes
Fluoride	4 (4)	SGL	0.80 (0.66 - 0.80)	01/2021	No	Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
01 - EAST PLANT @ AFTER TREATMENT						
Sodium (ppm)	N/A (N/A)	SGL	28	01/13/2021	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Added to water during treatment process
Nitrate [as N] (ppm)	10 (10)	SGL	0.48	2021	No	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits
Atrazine (ppb)	3 (3)	SGL	0.30	04/08/2021	No	Runoff from herbicide used on row crops
Metolachlor (ppm)	N/A (N/A)	SGL	0.0005	04/07/2020	No	Runoff from herbicide used on row crops
Turbidity (NTU)	N/A (N/A)	TT	0.069 (100%)	2021	No	Soil runoff
Total Organic Carbon	30%	TT	(36.2 - 69.9)	12/2021	No	Naturally Present in the Environment

GENERAL INFORMATION

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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. RATHBUN REGIONAL WATER ASSN (RATHBUN) 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>.

SOURCE WATER ASSESSMENT INFORMATION

This water supply obtains water from one or more surface waters. Surface water sources are susceptible to sources of contamination within the drainage basin.

Surface Water Name	Susceptibility
Chariton River	high
Rathbun Lake	high

OTHER INFORMATION

Turbidity is an indicator of treatment filter performance and is regulated as a treatment technique.

CONTACT INFORMATION

For questions regarding this information or how you can get involved in decisions regarding the water system, please contact RATHBUN REGIONAL WATER ASSN (RATHBUN) at 641-647-2416.