



September 9, 2019

Daniel Flynn
Dexter Oaks Cooperative
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Re: Maximum contaminant level exceeded for arsenic at the Dexter Oaks Cooperative water system, PWS ID# 41-00998

Dear Mr. Flynn,

An average of sample results reported for your water system indicates arsenic in drinking water is 0.016 mg/L, which exceeds the maximum contaminant level (MCL) of 0.010 mg/L. Drinking water with concentrations of arsenic exceeding the MCL can cause adverse health effects as described below.

Some people who drink water containing arsenic in excess of the MCL over many years could experience skin damage or problems with their circulatory system, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer. OAR 333-061-0097

1) You must submit a plan no later than December 9, 2019 identifying the corrective action you will take to reduce arsenic in drinking water to below the MCL. The corrective action plan must include a projected date by which you can, as quickly as possible, provide safe drinking water to water users. If water system modifications are necessary to resolve the contamination, the plan must include dates for the submission of plans to Drinking Water Services for review prior to construction.

Possible corrective actions to resolve the contamination include:

- Evaluating and repairing the effectiveness of existing treatment at the water system;
- Disconnecting a water source from your water system and provide an approved alternate source of water;

- Connecting to another public water system; or
 - Blending water sources so that arsenic is reliably and consistently below the MCL in drinking water.
- 2) You must also re-issue public notice to customers every three months, so long as the situation persists and the average of sample results continues to exceed the MCL. A public notice template is available online at <http://public.health.oregon.gov/HealthyEnvironments/DrinkingWater/Operations/Pages/publicnotices.aspx>. You must submit a copy of the notice to Drinking Water Services within ten days of distributing the notice to customers.

The actions described in this letter are required by Oregon Administrative Rules 333-061-0025, OAR 333-061-0030 and 333-061-0042. Please contact me at (971) 673-0407 if you have any questions or to discuss the actions required in this letter.

Thank you for your immediate attention to this matter.

Respectfully,



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cc: Lane County Environmental Health