Public Health Division

Drinking Water Services



Tina Kotek, Governor

July 16, 2025

JEFF CYGAN CORVALLIS WALDORF ASSOCIATION 3855 NE HWY 20 CORVALLIS, OR 97330

RE: Lead Action Level Exceedance at CORVALLIS WALDORF ASSOCIATION, OR4193711

Dear JEFF CYGAN:

Recent samples exceeded the action level of 0.015 mg/L for lead. Due to the health effects associated with exposure to lead, you must complete the actions specified in this letter as soon as possible and no later than the dates identified.

- 1. Immediately issue public notice and submit a copy by 7/27/2025;
- 2. Distribute Public Education. Certification that it was completed must be reported by 9/10/2025;
- 3. Submit a written review of corrosion control treatment and corrections by 9/30/2025:
- 4. Collect WQP and demonstration tap samples in the next two 6-month monitoring periods reported by 1/10/2026 and 7/10/2026 respectively

These steps are described in more detail below:

- 1. Issue a public notice to all customers within 24 hours and submit a copy by 7/27/2025. A copy of the public notice template is enclosed. Methods to submit a copy of the public notice are provided in the letter.
- 2. Since the lead action level was exceeded, OAR 333-061-0034(5)(c)(D) requires that a lead public education (PE) brochure must be distributed to all persons served by the water system and post in a common area by 8/31/2025. The PE brochure should be reviewed and approved by the regulatory agency prior to being sent out to customers. A final copy of the PE and a certification that the PE was distributed as required must be sent to Drinking Water Services (DWS) by

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9/10/2025. Note: the PE must be redistributed annually as long as the 90th percentile lead action level is exceeded.

- 3. Immediately investigate whether there is a problem with the existing corrosion control treatment system and repair any problems found. Submit a written review to the regulating agency by 9/30/2025 whether a problem was found with the corrosion control treatment system and how it was corrected, or what changes will be made to ensure action levels will not be exceeded in the future.
- 4. Conduct two 6-month rounds of lead and copper tap monitoring at 10 sample sites. The first round must be collected between 7/1/2025 and 12/31/2025 and the results submitted to DWS by 1/10/2026. The second round must be collected between 1/1/2025 and 6/30/2025 and submitted to DWS by 7/10/2026.
- 5. Two rounds of water quality parameters (WQP) collected from the distribution system at a routine coliform sample site with each round of tap samples. These WQP samples must be collected 2 weeks apart and include pH, alkalinity and phosphate. The pH should be analyzed directly in the field. The first two rounds must be submitted to DWS by 1/10/2026 and the second two rounds must be submitted to DWS by 7/10/2026.

Continue measuring WQPs at least every 2 weeks at the entry point. If minimum entry point WQPs are not being met, monitor WQPs daily until required minimum levels are consistently met. If the minimum entry point WQPs were being met when the action level exceedance occurred, minimums may need to be reevaluated and adjusted (for example, minimum pH raised).

If the action level for lead or copper continues to be exceeded during 6-month rounds of monitoring, the water supplier may be required to reassess if the current corrosion control treatment system is adequate or whether a different chemical treatment option should be considered.

As a reminder, you must notify those drinking the water at each location of the test results within 30 days of receiving them from the lab. A representative copy of the notice and certification of distribution must be submitted by 9/30/2025. The notification must also include the maximum contaminant level goal and the action level for lead with the definitions for these two terms, an explanation of the health effects of lead, a

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list of steps consumers can take to reduce exposure to lead in drinking water and contact information for your water utility.

The rules for controlling lead and copper are extensive and complicated. Please contact Scott Kruger at (541) 766-6650 for assistance. Thank you for your prompt attention to these requirements.

Sincerely,

Oregon Health Authority, Drinking Water Services

Enclosure: Public notice template

Cc: Shawn Stevenson, DWS

Scott Kruger, BENTON CO HEALTH DEPT