

# Cedar Key Water & Sewer District

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April 20, 2018


Dear Customers:

Enclosed is the report relating to disinfection byproducts (DBPs) for the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2018. This report shows improvement over the report you received for the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2017. The District is now in compliance for one of the two DBPs, HAA5, and the locational running average for the other, TTHM, is substantially lower at both measuring locations.

The District is continuing to test and implement treatment options at the water plant, and it is our expectation that there will continue to be improvements in TTHM levels. You will continue to receive these quarterly reports until the locational running averages for both DBPs are in compliance.

Please be assured that we are taking this very seriously, and will be working diligently to come into compliance with regard to DBPs.

  
John McPherson  
General Manager

  
James McCain  
Plant Superintendent

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER  
CEDAR KEY WTP DISINFECTION BYPRODUCTS MONITORING PUBLIC NOTICE**

**What happened?**

Our water system did not meet the requirements of a drinking water standard. Although this is not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we are doing to correct this situation.

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. Testing results we received from samples taken February 12, 2018, when averaged with quarterly results from the past year, show that our system exceeds the standards, or maximum contaminant levels (MCL), for Dis-infection Byproducts (DBPs), which includes Total Trihalomethanes (TTHMs). The standard for TTHMs is 80 micrograms per liter ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ ). Compliance is based on the locational running annual average (LRAA), which is the average of all quarterly results from the past year.

Contaminant & Date	Hodgson & Jernigan Ave.	Gulf Boulevard & Hodges Ave.
TTHMs LRAA following February 12, 2018 results	102.17	101.11

**What should I do?**

*Some people who drink water containing TTHMs in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous system, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.*

Any customers who are concerned about their exposure to DBPs may choose alternative sources of water for ingestion.

**What does this mean?**

This is not an immediate risk. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately.

**What is being done?**

We are testing a number of modifications to the water treatment plant to find a permanent fix for this problem. The tests include use of the reverse osmosis treatment system, rehabilitation of the Miex treatment system, and use of alternative treatment chemicals. We will continue to monitor and report to you by public notice on future testing results.

For more information, please contact John McPherson, General Manager, at 352-543-5285 or 352-317-7431.

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

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