

Region 8 Tribal Drinking Water Monthly Newsletter

December, 2022

Announcement: New Link to Public Drinking Water Watch

Region 8 Drinking Water Watch has moved to a new domain. To access Public Drinking Water Watch (DWWPub) please use the following link and be sure to update your bookmarks:

https://sdwisdww.epa.gov/DWWR8WY

Also, please be aware, there is a known issue with some service providers and a resolution is underway.

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Key EPA Contacts

Upcoming Regulatory Deadlines

Last week reminder emails were sent out for sampling that is due before the end of the year. Please look at the email and your monitoring schedule to ensure all samples are collected on time.

Date	Event	Location
Last day of every calendar month	Last day to collect monthly total coliform samples	Sites approved on your RTCR sample plan
10 th of every month	Last day for EPA to receive total coliform monthly routine samples from the previous month	N/A
December 31 st	Many monitoring periods for different rules (eg. DBP, RADS, Chems, Nitrate, LCR) conclude. Refer to your monitoring requirements or tickler for system-specific information. Call EPA with questions.	Sites approved for each rule

December 31 st	Lead Consumer Notice for systems with a June – September Monitoring Period. Click <u>here</u> for	N/A
	more information.	

Training Resource: Water Distribution 1 Training for Tribal Operators (brought to you by the Inter Tribal Council of Arizona (ITCA) and EPA Region 8)

Title	Descriptions	Dates	Registration
Water Distribution – Level 1	Water Distribution – Level 1 Live Online Training Course for Tribal Operators. Priority registration will be given to Tribal Operators working in EPA Region 8. Training course size is limited.	Jan 30, and Feb 1, 3, 6, 8, 10, 13, 15, 17, 22, 24, 27 and March 1, 3, 6, 8 (in 2023) Meets 10 am – 1pm (Central Time)	<u>Click Here</u>

Training Resource: Cybersecurity 101 Training for Water Systems Webinar – January 5, 2023 – 2:00 PM Eastern Time

EPA will be hosting a free cybersecurity webinar for drinking water and wastewater systems. This webinar will review basic cybersecurity topics, including account security, device security, data security, training, and more." Water system staff will benefit from this webinar by being introduced to baseline cybersecurity concepts from subject matter experts.

Register Here

EPA Issues Final List of Contaminants for Potential Regulatory Consideration for Drinking Water, Significantly Increases PFAS Chemicals for Review

On November 2, 2022, EPA published the Final Fifth Drinking Water Contaminant Candidate List (CCL 5), which will serve as the basis for EPA's regulatory considerations over the next five-year cycle under the Safe Drinking Water Act. This update includes a substantial expansion of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), an important first step towards identifying additional PFAS that may require regulation under the Safe Drinking Water Act.

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In addition to a group of PFAS, the Final CCL 5 includes 66 individually listed chemicals, two additional chemical groups (cyanotoxins and disinfection byproducts (DBPs)), and 12 microbes.

In developing the Final CCL 5, EPA requested public nominations, providing an opportunity for people to make recommendations to the Agency about specific contaminants of concern that may disproportionally affect their local community. EPA further enhanced the CCL process based on comments received on this CCL and previous CCLs, including by prioritizing data most relevant to drinking water exposure, improving considerations of sensitive populations including children, and considering the recommendations included in the Review of the EPA's Draft Fifth Contaminant Candidate List (CCL 5) report from the Science Advisory Board. These improvements resulted in a Final CCL 5 that can better inform prioritization of contaminants for potential regulatory actions and/or research efforts.

Click here for more information.

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