

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER**

### **Town of Gueydan Water System Failed to Take Corrective Action Following Identification of a Significant Deficiency**

On 1/27/2023 the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) performed a detailed inspection and engineering evaluation of our water system called a sanitary survey. During this sanitary survey, they identified one or more significant deficiencies in our system. As our customers, you have a right to know what happened and what we are doing to correct this situation. According to EPA's Ground Water Rule, we were required to correct the deficiency (or deficiencies) or work with the State to develop a plan to correct the deficiency (or deficiencies). However, we failed to correct the deficiency or contact the State before the established deadline and have therefore violated a requirement of the Ground Water Rule.

#### **What should I do?**

There is nothing you need to do. You do not need to boil your water or take other corrective actions. If a situation arises where the water is no longer safe to drink, you will be notified within 24 hours.

#### **What does this mean?**

This is not an emergency. If it had been an emergency, you would have been notified within 24 hours.

This significant deficiency has the potential to result in lack of proper treatment and oversight of the water system. Inadequately treated or inadequately protected may contain disease-causing organisms. These organisms can cause symptoms such as diarrhea, nausea, cramps, and associated headaches. While we have not detected any evidence of contamination or other health threats related to our source water, we are still committed to correcting the deficiency to eliminate the threat of contamination.

#### **What was done?**

The Town of Gueydan has taken strict measures to be in compliance with all state laws, by ensuring that all cross-connection control valves are inspected as required by a certified plumber.

For more information, please contact Town of Gueydan, 337-536-9415 or 600 Main Street, Gueydan, LA 70542.

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