

2025 Consumer Confidence Report Data COCHRANE WATERWORKS, PWS ID: 60602267

Water System Information

If you would like to know more about the information contained in this report, please contact Hank Koenig at (715) 495-5563.

Opportunity for input on decisions affecting your water quality

2nd Tuesday of each month @ 7:00 P.M.

Health Information

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's safe drinking water hotline (800-426-4791).

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune systems disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Environmental Protection Agency's safe drinking water hotline (800-426-4791).

Source(s) of Water

Source ID	Source	Depth (in feet)	Status
2	Groundwater	100	Active

To obtain a summary of the source water assessment please contact, Hank Koenig at (715) 495-5563.

Educational Information

The sources of drinking water, both tap water and bottled water, include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally- occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which shall provide the same protection for public health.

Definitions

Term	Definition
AL	Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
HA and HAL	HA: Health Advisory. An estimate of acceptable drinking water levels for a chemical substance based on health effects information. HAL: Health Advisory Level is a concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, poses a health risk and may require a system to post a public notice. Health Advisories are determined by US EPA.
HI	HI: Hazard Index: A Hazard Index is used to assess the potential health impacts associated with mixtures of contaminants. Hazard Index guidance for a class of contaminants or mixture of contaminants may be determined by the US EPA or Wisconsin Department of Health Services. If a Health Index is exceeded a system may be required to post a public notice.

Term	Definition
Level 1 Assessment	A Level 1 assessment is a study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine, if possible, why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system.
Level 2 Assessment	A Level 2 assessment is a very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine, if possible, why an E. coli MCL violation has occurred or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system, or both, on multiple occasions.
MCL	Maximum Contaminant Level: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
MCLG	Maximum Contaminant Level Goal: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
MFL	million fibers per liter
MRDL	Maximum residual disinfectant level: The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
MRDLG	Maximum residual disinfectant level goal: The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
mrem/year	millirems per year (a measure of radiation absorbed by the body)
NTU	Nephelometric Turbidity Units
pCi/l	picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)
ppm	parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/l)
ppb	parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (ug/l)
ppt	parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter
ppq	parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter
PHGS	PHGS: Public Health Groundwater Standards are found in NR 140 Groundwater Quality. The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, poses a health risk and may require a system to post a public notice.
RPHGS	RPHGS: Recommended Public Health Groundwater Standards: Groundwater standards proposed by the Wisconsin Department of Health Services. The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, poses a health risk and may require a system to post a public notice.
SMCL	Secondary drinking water standards or Secondary Maximum Contaminant Levels for contaminants that affect taste, odor, or appearance of the drinking water. The SMCLs do not represent health standards.
TCR	Total Coliform Rule
TT	Treatment Technique: A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Detected Contaminants

Your water was tested for many contaminants last year. We are allowed to monitor for some contaminants less frequently than once a year. The following tables list only those contaminants which were detected in your water. If a contaminant was detected last year, it will appear in the following tables without a sample date. If the contaminant was not monitored last year, but was detected within the last 5 years, it will appear in the tables below along with the sample date.

Disinfection Byproducts

Contaminant (units)	Site	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2025)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
HAA5 (ppb)	DBP1	60	60	8	8	9/15/2021	No	By-product of drinking water chlorination
TTHM (ppb)	DBP1	80	0	2.7	2.7	9/15/2021	No	By-product of drinking water chlorination

Inorganic Contaminants

Contaminant (units)	Site	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2025)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
ARSENIC (ppb)		10	n/a	1	1	3/1/2023	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes
BARIUM (ppm)		2	2	0.025	0.025	3/1/2023	No	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits
FLUORIDE (ppm)		4	4	0.1	0.1	3/1/2023	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge

Contaminant (units)	Site	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2025)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
								from fertilizer and aluminum factories
MERCURY (ppb)		2	2	0.1	0.1	3/1/2023	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from refineries and factories; Runoff from landfills; Runoff from cropland
NITRATE (N03-N) (ppm)		10	10	1.13	1.13		No	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits
SODIUM (ppm)		n/a	n/a	3.76	3.76	3/1/2023	No	n/a

Contaminant (units)	Action Level	MCLG	90th Percentile Level Found	Range	# of Results	Sample Date (if prior to 2025)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
COPPER (ppm)	AL=1.3	1.3	0.2290	0.1250 - 0.2320	0 of 5 results were above the action level.	6/13/2023	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives

Additional Health Information

Lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Cochrane Waterworks is responsible for providing high quality drinking water and removing lead pipes, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing

components in your home. You share the responsibility for protecting yourself and your family from the lead in your home plumbing. You can take responsibility by identifying and removing lead materials within your home plumbing and taking steps to reduce your family's risk. Before drinking tap water, flush your pipes for several minutes by running your tap, taking a shower, doing laundry or a load of dishes. You can also use a filter certified by an American National Standards Institute accredited certifier to reduce lead in drinking water. If you are concerned about lead in your water and wish to have your water tested, contact Cochrane Waterworks (Hank Koenig at (715) 495-5563). Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Additional Information on Service Line Materials

We developed an inventory of service lines connected to our distribution system. You can access the inventory by following these instructions: Posted in various locations throughout the village or can be requested at the Village Hall

2025 CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT (CCR) CERTIFICATION

Community Water System Name: COCHRANE WATERWORKS
Community Water System ID: 60602267

You must complete and send this form, along with an actual copy of the CCR, by July 1, 2026 to your Regional DNR Drinking Water Representative at the following address:
ALEJANDRO AVALOS, DNR SERVICE CENTER, 3550 MORMON COULEE RD, LA CROSSE, WI 54601,
608-790-5907

I confirm that this system's Consumer Confidence Report was distributed to customers as indicated below and information contained in the CCR is correct and consistent with compliance data submitted to DNR.

Certified by:

(Name, Title) Hank Koeng (Date) 6/18/2025
(Phone) 608-248-2434 (E-mail address) vilmaint@mwt.net

Required Delivery: This system has 500 or fewer consumers. In addition to making the CCR available to the public upon request, **at least one** of the following delivery methods is required. Check the option that was completed and include the required information. *Electronic delivery requires completion of additional information on back page.

Option 1 - CCR was distributed by mail or direct delivery to all customers served by the water system. List method and date of delivery: _____

Option 2 - CCR was distributed electronically to all customers served by the water system. Identify the method of electronic delivery used from the back page and submit the required information.

Option 3 - A notice that the report is available upon request was delivered by mail, door-to-door delivery, or posted in an appropriate location visible to all customers served by the water system. The notice says the CCR will be delivered by fax, mail or hand upon request. List method and date of delivery: _____

Good Faith Effort: If you have any non-bill paying consumers (e.g., business customers, renters, workers) you must make good faith effort to also reach these water users. **At least one** of the following methods is required, in addition to the method(s) selected above for your population. The same method may not be used for both this section and the section above. **Check all that were completed and attach the required information.**

- Published CCR in local newspaper. Copy attached.
- Posted CCR in public places. List of locations attached.
- Advertised availability of CCR upon request. Announcement attached.
- Posted CCR on the Internet at: http://_____
- Mailed CCR to postal patrons in service area. Zip codes used are attached.
- Delivered multiple CCR copies to single bill addresses serving apartments, businesses, and large employers, etc. List of addresses attached.
- Delivered CCR to community organizations. Attach list.
- Other. Description attached.

Electronic Delivery: If electronic delivery was used in lieu of mailing the CCR, you must provide the additional information outlined on the back page.

Electronic Delivery Information - check which method of electronic delivery was used:

_____ **Option 1** - A bill or other mailing to customers contained a link (URL) that takes the reader directly to the CCR. The URL was prominently displayed in the mailing. It included an option for the customer to request a paper CCR and included a statement about water quality to promote readership. In addition, a separate notification was given to customers who use electronic payment, since not all customers who electronically pay their bills may receive a paper bill or open a paper bill if they do receive it.

_____ A copy of the bill or mailing is attached.

_____ A copy of the notification given to customers who use electronic payment is attached.

_____ **Option 2** - An e-mail was sent to consumers containing a link (URL) that takes the reader directly to the CCR. The e-mail included a statement encouraging readership. It also instructed how to request a paper CCR. E-mails that bounced back as undeliverable were addressed by sending the customer a CCR by another direct delivery method.

_____ A copy of the e-mail message is attached.

_____ Undeliverable e-mail messages were addressed by doing the following: _____.

_____ **Option 3** - An e-mail was sent to consumers containing an electronic copy of the CCR as an attachment in a format that can be viewed without paying for additional software (e.g., PDF format). The e-mail included a statement encouraging readership. It also instructed how to request a paper CCR. E-mails that bounced back as undeliverable were addressed by another direct delivery method.

_____ A copy of the e-mail message is attached.

_____ Undeliverable e-mail messages were addressed by doing the following: _____.

_____ **Option 4** - An e-mail was sent to consumers containing the CCR as text and tables within the message. The e-mail included a statement encouraging readership. It also instructed how to request a paper CCR. E-mails that bounced back as undeliverable were addressed by sending the customer a CCR by another direct delivery method.

_____ A copy of the e-mail message is attached.

_____ Undeliverable e-mail messages were addressed by doing the following: _____.

CCR is posted at the following locations in the Village of Cochrane

Cochrane Post Office

Cochrane Village Hall

Alliance Bank