

# Water Quality Annual Report 2015

# **Investing** in Fresno's Future

For over 80 years, the City of Fresno has operated and maintained a water system that provides safe, reliable drinking water at affordable rates to Fresno customers. In 2015, the City of Fresno Department of Public Utilities, supplied over 500,000 customers with more than 36 billion gallons of water that met or exceeded drinking water standards set by the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) and United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). To ensure a high-quality water supply, the Department of Public Utilities continuously monitors our surface water and groundwater sources, utilizes advanced water treatment processes, and rigorously samples and tests the water before delivering it to our customers.

#### Where Does Our Water Come From?

For Fresno customers, there are two sources of drinking water. One is derived from the Fresno Sole Source Aquifer, a large underground water system that supplies many communities in the San Joaquin Valley. The Water Division operates approximately

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40 Depth to Water (ft.)

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City of

City of Fresno Historical Water Levels

1975 1975 1985 1995 1995 2005 2010 2015 2015

260 wells that draw from this aquifer. Unfortunately, pumping water from the aquifer can lower the water table. For this reason, Fresno has an aggressive recharge program that is continually finding new places and methods to conduct groundwater recharge. Water recharge operations can slow this decline, but with conservation, you can help make a greater impact.

The second source of water is surface water from the Sierra Nevada delivered via Fresno Irrigation District and Friant-Kern canals. This water is stored in both Millerton and Pine Flat lakes, located in the foothills east of Fresno. Surface water is treated to drinking water standards at either of Fresno's state-of-the-art treatment facilities: the 30 million gallons per day (MGD) Northeast Surface Water Treatment Facility in northeast Fresno or the 4 MGD T-3 Water Storage and Treatment Facility in southeast Fresno.

#### What is Fresno Doing?

During these times of increasing water quality standards, new groundwater regulations,

and conservation mandates, the Department of Public Utilities is continuously working on

projects to improve the water systems that capture, treat, and deliver water to Fresno customers. One such project is the 80 MGD Southeast Surface Water Treatment Facility (SESWTF), which commenced construction in January of 2016.

The SESWTF is part of the Department of Public Utilities' capital investment plan that includes raw water pipelines to deliver surface water; the SESWTF that will prepare the water for use in the community; and finished water distribution facilities to deliver this water to Fresno's homes, businesses, churches, schools, parks, and restaurants. The capital investment totals \$429 million over the five-year period spanning 2015-2019.

### What Can You Do?

Of course, one of the most valuable water sources is water that is not actually used. In 2015, record-setting drought conditions persisted across the state. Fresno's water

The capital investment plan includes the following categories of projects:

- Intentional Groundwater **Recharge Facilities** = \$6.4 million
- Raw Water Supply Facilities = \$98.4 million
- **Surface Water Treatment** Facilities = \$186.4 million
- **Finished Water Distribution** Facilities = \$55.4 million
- Pipeline and Well **Rehabilitation and** Replacement = \$82.5 million

users responded by reducing water demand to a level not seen since the 1980s! As you can see, conservation is the most economical and environmentally protective resource management tool. helping Fresno meet the many challenges of water supply. With the

current investment in our water system, new state-of-the-art treatment facilities, and continued conservation efforts by water users, we are working together to ensure a high-quality, reliable, and sustainable water supply for Fresno's present and future generations.

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Fresno's water table has dropped more than 100 feet in the past 70 years

A translation of this report in Spanish, Hmong, and Vietnamese can be requested by calling 621-5365. Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable. Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

Daimntawv tshaj tawm no muaj lus tseemceeb txog koj cov dej haus. Tshab txhais nws, los yog tham nrog tej tug neeg uas totaub txog nws.

Chi ti t này th t guan tr ng, xin nh ngu i d ch cho quý v.

# What's in This Report?

This Annual Water Quality Report, prepared in cooperation with the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) - Division of Drinking Water, provides important information about Fresno's water supply, water quality, and water delivery system. Test results for Fresno's 2015 Water Quality Monitoring Program are summarized on the following pages. It is important to read the messages regarding various water quality issues from the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and from your City of Fresno Water Division.

#### **Facts About Drinking Water Standards**

Under the 1974 Safe Drinking Water Act, the EPA and the California Department of Public Health were charged with the responsibility of setting and implementing safe drinking water standards. Congress reauthorized this act in 1996. There are 74 regulated contaminants and another 34 are subject to monitoring. Fortunately, only a small number have ever been detected in Fresno's water supply.

#### What happens in Fresno if a well exceeds USEPA or SWRBC standards?

If a well violates standards, it would be removed from service and an alternate water supply is provided. In the event a well exceeds standards but must stay in service, customers who receive water from that well would be directly notified by mail or by handdelivered flyers.

Nitrate: Nitrate in drinking water at levels above 45 mg/L is a health risk for infants of less than six months of age. Such nitrate levels in drinking water can interfere with the capacity of the infant's blood to carry oxygen, resulting in a serious illness; symptoms include shortness of breath and blueness of the skin. Nitrate levels above 45 mg/L may also affect the ability of the blood to carry oxygen in other individuals, such as pregnant women and those with certain specific enzyme deficiencies. If you are caring for an infant, or you are pregnant, you should ask advice from your health care provider.

**Arsenic:** While your drinking water meets

the federal and state standard for arsenic. it does contain low levels of arsenic. The arsenic standard balances the current understanding of arsenic's possible health effects against the costs of removing arsenic from drinking water. The EPA continues to research the health effects of low levels of arsenic, which is a mineral known to cause cancer in humans at high concentrations and is linked to other health effects such as skin damage and circulatory problems.

Lead: If present, elevated levels of 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. The City of Fresno is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you do so, you may wish to collect the flushed water and reuse it for another beneficial purpose, such as watering plants. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at http://www.epa.gov/lead.

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 USEPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

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 system 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. USEPA/Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).



# www.fresno.gov/water

621-5300 621-5365

#### We're here to help!

You can contact the City of Fresno Water Division by phone, mail or e-mail.

PHONE Water Division Water Quality Water Conservation 621-5480

MAIL 1910 E. University Ave. Fresno, CA 93703-2988 E-MAIL

#### **OPPORTUNITIES FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION**

The public is invited to discuss water quality and other water issues during monthly meetings held at the Water Division. City of Fresno Water Division information@water.fresno.gov For more information, contact us at 621-5305.

#### **SPEAKER'S BUREAU & TOURS**

Need a speaker for your community group, or service club about water issues? Call 621-1610. Tours are also available. Call us at 621-8635.

**Report Water Waste** 621-5480

#### **California Drinking Water Source Assessment and Protection Program**

The City of Fresno Water Division and the State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water, formerly a part of the California Department of Public Health (CaDPH), has completed the California Drinking Water Source Assessment and Protection (DWSAP) Program for water wells operated by the Fresno Water Division. The complete report prepared in 2003 is available for viewing at the Water Division or the State Water Resources Control Board office. Please contact the Water Division at 621-5300 or State Water Resources Control Board at 447-3300 if you are interested in more information regarding this report.

The City operates approximately 260 wells throughout Fresno's 115 square mile service area. Given the size and complexity of our system, the DWSAP report is a very large document and even a brief summary would be difficult to include in this Consumer Confidence report. However, two summary data tables are available on the City's website at www.fresno.gov. In the search box type Water Quality Report and you will automatically be routed to the linking page containing the reports.

# Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria that may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, that 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 that 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 that are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, agricultural application, and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants that can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

The multipurpose goal of the DWSAP is to identify ways communities can protect their water supplies, manage their water resources, improve drinking water quality, inform their citizens of known contaminants, and identify known activities and locations that can threaten their supply, and meet regulatory requirements.

As an example, the following paragraph lists the contaminating activities and sources which can affect Fresno's drinking water. Airports-Maintenance/fueling areas, Apartments and condominiums, Automobile-Body Shops, Automobile-Gas stations, Automobile-Repair Shops, Boat services/ repair/refinishing, Chemical/petroleum processing/storage, Crops, irrigated, Dry Cleaners, Electrical/electronic manufacturing, Fertilizer, Pesticide/Herbicide Application, Golf courses, Historic gas stations, Historic waste dumps/landfills, Home manufacturing, Hospitals, Housing-high density, Junk/ scrap/salvage vards, Known Contaminant Plumes, Landfills/dumps, Machine shops, Metal plating/finishing/fabricating, Medical/ dental offices/clinics, Military installations,

#### **Terms and Abbreviations**

n/a: not applicable

- NTU: Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (a measure of light)
  - **nd:** not detectable at reporting limits.
- ng/L: nanograms per liter or parts per trillion.
- ug/L: micrograms per liter or parts per billion
- **mg/L:** milligrams per liter or parts per million
- pCi/L: picocuries per liter (a measure of radiation)

Motor pools, Office buildings/complexes, Parks, Pesticide/fertilizer/petroleum storage & transfer areas, Photo processing/printing, Plastics/synthetics producers, Railroad yards/ maintenance/fueling areas, Rental Yards, Schools, Septic systems-high density, Sewer collection systems, Transportation corridors-Railroads, Underground storage tanks-Confirmed leaking tanks, Utility Stationsmaintenance areas, Veterinary offices/ clinics, Wastewater treatment plants, Wells-Agriculture/Irrigation, Wells-Water supply.

More information is included in the summary which identifies the affected well(s) and associated activities.

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.



**Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL):** The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. Primary MCLs are set as close to the PHGs (or MCLGs) as is economically and technologically feasible. Secondary MCLs are set to protect the odor, taste, and appearance of drinking water.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs are set by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

**Public Health Goal (PHG):** The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. PHGs are set by the California Environmental Protection Agency.

**Primary Drinking Water Standard (PDWS):** MCLs and MRDLs for contaminants that affect health along with their monitoring and reporting requirements, and water treatment requirements.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL): 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.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG): 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.

**Regulatory Action Level:** The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system must follow.

Treatment Technique: A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Chemical Table	MCL	PHG	Fresno	Range of	MCL	Last	Typical Source of Contaminant			
	WICL	(MCLG)	Average	Detection's	Violation	Sampled				
Volatile Organic Contaminants										
cis-1,2-Dichloroethylene (ug/L)	6	100	0.29	0 - 4.2	NO	2015	Discharge from industrial chemical factories; major biodegradation byproduct of TCE and PCI groundwater contamination			
1,1-Dichloroethylene (ug/L)	6	10	0.02	0 - 1.9	NO	2015	Discharge from industrial chemical factories			
Tetrachloroethylene (PCE) (ug/L)(1)	5	0.06	0.55	0 - 7.6	NO	2015	Discharge from factories, drycleaners, and auto shops (metal degreaser)			
Trichloroethylene (TCE) (ug/L)	5	1.7	0.33	0 - 4.9	NO	2015	Discharge from metal degreasing sites and other factories			
Synthetic Organic Contaminants										
Dibromochloropropane (DBCP) (ng/L) (2)	200	1.7	39.1	0 - 330	NO	2015	Banned nematocide that may still be present in soils due to runoff/leaching from former use on soybeans, cotton, vineyards, tomatoes, and tree fruit			
Ethylene Dibromide (EDB) (ng/L)	50	10	0.73	0 - 42	NO	2015	Discharge from petroleum refineries; underground gas tank leaks; banned nematocide that may st be present in soils due to runoff and leaching from grain and fruit crops			
Inorganic Contaminants										
Aluminum (AL) (mg/L)	1	0.6	0.001	nd - 0.13	NO	2014	Erosion of natural deposits; residue from some surface water treatment plants			
Arsenic (As) (ug/L)(3)	10	0.004	0.5	nd - 13	NO	2014	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; glass and electronics production wastes			
Barium (Ba) (mg/L)	1	2	0.041	nd- 0.42	NO	2014	Discharges of oil drilling wastes and from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits			
Chromium (Total) (ug/L)	50	(100)	1.91	nd - 6	NO	2015	Discharge from steel and pulp mills and chrome plating; erosion of natural deposits			
Hexavalent Chromium (ug/L) (4)	10	0.02	2.07	nd - 6.6	NO	2015	Discharge from electroplating factories, leather tanneries, wood preservation, chemicc systhesis, refactory production, and textile manufacturing facilities; erosion of natural deposits			
Fluoride (ug/L)	2	1	0.022	nd - 0.21	NO	2014	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive that promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer ar aluminum factories			
Nitrate (NO3) (mg/L)	45	45	21	0 - 43	NO	2015	Runoff and leaching from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks and sewage; erosion of natural deposits			
Perchlorate (ug/L)	6	6	0.013	nd - 3.1	NO	2014	Historic aerospace or industrial operations associated with rocket propellant, fireworks, explosives, flares, matches and a varity of industries.			
Radionuclides (5)										
Gross Alpha (pCi/L) (6)	15	n/a	9.3	nd - 26.3	NO	2015	Erosion of natural deposits			
Radium 226 (pCi/L)	3	n/a	0.72	-0.12 - 3.84	NO	2007	Erosion of natural deposits			
Radium 228 (pCi/L)	5	.019	0.51	0.043074	NO	2011	Erosion of natural deposits			
Uranium (pCi/L)	20	0.5	5.89	nd - 16	NO	2007	Erosion of natural deposits			
Unregulated Contaminants (ICR, UCMR & I	Misc)				,		· · ·			
1,4-Dioxane		n/a	13	nd - 210	n/a	2015	We are required by regulations to monitor for certain unregulated contaminants. This is helpful to			
Hexavalent Chromium (ug/L) (7)		n/a	2.248	nd - 13	n/a	2014	the USEPA and CDHS for tracking the location of contaminants and whether there is a need for			
Dichlorodifluoromethane (Freon 12)		n/a	0.403	nd - 29	n/a	2014	stricter regulations. Several contaminants indicate detected values with a "<" symbol meaning le			
Trichloropropane (1,2,3-TCP) (8)	0.0007	ug/L (PHG)	0.001	1 nd - 0.069 n/a 2014		2014	than. There are two possible reasons for this. First, the Detection Limit for Reporting, DLR, ha			
Tert-Butly Alcohol (TBA)		n/a	0.011	nd - 2.9	n/a	2014	been established by EPA or CDHS. Second, for various reasons, the analytical equipment is unabl to quantify the value below the stated "less than" value but analysis indicates the contaminant is			
Vanadium (total)	n/a n/a hloromethane n/a e n/a ifluoromethane n/a enum (total) n/a		11	nd - 71	n/a	2014	present. For either reason, the concentration cannot be quantified and the City must assume that			
Bromochloromethane			0.001	nd - 0.79	n/a	2014	"Fresno Average" is not applicable for this report.			
Chlorate			204	nd - 970	n/a	2014				
Chlorodifluoromethane			0.085	nd - 3.8	n/a	2014				
Molybdenum (total)			0.9	nd - 7.1	n/a	2014				
Strontium (total)			97	nd - 510 n/a 2014						
Disinfection Byproducts, Disinfectant Res	iduals	-								
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM) (ug/L)	80	n/a	5.2	nd - 17	NO	2015	Byproduct of drinking water chlorination			
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) (ug/L)	60	n/a	0.9	nd - 4.1	NO	2015	Byproduct of drinking water chlorination			
					NO					

(1) Tetrachloroethylene (PCE): PS 284 located near Barstow and Maroa is being monitored monthly. For 2015, the average concentration of 3.7 ug/L has remained below the MCL of 5 ug/L. However, there have been six results exceeding the MCL including a 7.5 ug/L result from January 2015. A second well, PS 298 has been under continuous monitoring for some time and has reached a point where it is considered over the MCL. This well has been removed from service and destroyed due to site constraints and other issues. Determination as to whether a well exceeds an MCL for non-acute contaminants such as PCE is based on a running average for a prescribed period of time. Therefore a well may have several results above the MCL yet still meet drinking water standards. Some people who use water containing PCE in excess of the MCL over many years may experience liver problems, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

(2) Dibromochloropropane (DBCP): PS 184 located in SE Fresno is an active DBCP treatment site. In late December 2014 an operator mistakenly mislabeled samples collected from the site which resulted in a delay for timely results. By time the issue was corrected, the effluent result which was reported in early January was 0.24 ug/L, and another sample collected in early January also collected before the results were received were reported at 0.22 ug/L. Both results were technically below the MCL when rounding is factored in. In addition, several wells, PS 102, 134, 182-1, and 188 contain DBCP close to the MCL. These wells were being monitored monthly to determine compliance with the MCL and some of the results exceed the limit. Due to drought concerns the decision was made to remove these wells from service in late March. They were offline the remainder of the year. As of the last operational data, these wells are averaging close to the MCL for 2015, and a few samples exceeded the 0.2 ug/L MCL. Determination as to whether a well exceeds an MCL for non-acute contaminants such as DBCP is based on a running average for a prescribed period of time. Therefore a well may have several results above the MCL yet still meet drinking water standards. Some people who use water containing DBCP in excess of the MCL over many years may experience reproductive problems and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

(3) Arsenic: PS 135B located in SE Fresno near Armstrong and Butler has had two single detections that exceed 10.0 ug/L. The MCL for Arsenic is based on a four quarter running average. The average is calculated every three months using the current and three previous test results from each quarter. The well did not exceed the MCL for 2014. The well was removed from service in December 2014 due to a Manganese issue and did not operated in 2015. Some people who drink water containing arsenic in excess of the MCL over many years may experience skin damage or circulatory system problems, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

(4 & 7) Hexavalent Chromium is a regulated contaminant in the State of California but is not regulated at the federal level. In 2015, the city conducted sampling at a large of wells but not all. Additional samples were collected in previous years under the federal UCMR 3 program. The test results for State compliance did not exceed the MCL of 10 ug/L, however, there were two results from the UCMR event that were greater than the State MCL. The sample locations and testing methods differ between the two requirements and are not an equal comparison. Both sets of test results are included in this report. Some people who drink water containing hexavalent chromium in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

(5 & 6) RADIONUCLIDES, including Gross Alpha, Uranium, Radium 226 and Radium 228 are sampled on various schedules depending upon the results for previous samples. The well may be sampled as often as every three years but no longer than nine years. Compliance is based on the average of four quarters. Two wells, PS 79 and 146 are being closely monitored for gross alpha and some individual results exceeded the MCL's in 2015. Some people who drink water containing these constituents over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

(8) Trichloropropane (1,2,3-TCP): The USEPA periodically requires utilities to conduct monitoring of unregulated contaminants such as 1,2,3-TCP which has been detected in 29 Fresno wells in 2014. The State of California has created a regulatory notification level of 0.005 ppb which is also the detection limit for reporting. The City continues monitoring of the affected wells while the State Water resources Control Board continues development of stricter regulations. Some people who use water containing 1,2,3-Trichloropropane in excess of the notification level over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer, based on studies in laboratory animals.

Table 2: MICRO BIOLOGICAL CONTAMINANTS									
Over 220 bacteriological samples are collected every month in Fresno's distribution system. In addition, over 300 bacteriological samples are collected from wells and treatment sites.									
Contaminant	Highest No. of Detection's	Typical Source of Bacteria							
Total Coliform Bacteria	1 of 251 or .39%	0	5%	(0)	Naturally present in the environment				
E.coli	0	0	A routine sample is positive for E.coli and a repeat sample is positive for total,	(0)	Human or animal fecal waste				
			fecal or E.coli bacteria						

Table 3: LEAD AND COPPER									
Lead and Copper samples are collected from wells, the distribution system and from inside residences.									
Contaminant	No. of Samples Collected	90th Percentile Level Detected	No. of Sites Exceed- ing Action Level	Action Level	MCLG	Typical Source of Contaminant			
Lead (ug/L) (Sampled in 2012)	54	0		15	0.2	Internal corrosion of household water plumbing systems; discharges from industrial manufacturers;			
Copper mg/L) (Sampled in 2012)	54	0.26	0	1.3	0.3	erosion of natural deposits Internal corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood			
						preservatives			

#### Table 4: SECONDARY STANDARDS CONTAMINANTS LIST

Secondary standards are based on aesthetic factors (taste, appearance and odor, etc.) and are not health related.

Inorganic Contaminants	MCL	Fresno Average	Range of Detection's	SMCL Violation	Last Sampled	Typical Source of Contaminant		
Aluminum (ug/L)	200	0.001	nd - 130	NO	2014	Erosion of natural deposits; residual from some surface water treatment processes		
Apparent Color (Unfiltered)	15	5	nd - 5	NO	2014	Naturally-occurring organic materials		
Iron (Fe) (ug/L) (9)	300	52	nd - 7900	NO	2014	Leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes		
Manganese (Mn) (ug/L) (10)	50	4.3	nd - 210	NO	2014	Leaching from natural deposits		
Odor Threshold	3 units	0.03	nd - 1.5	NO	2014	Naturally-occurring organic materials		
Sodium (Na) (mg/L)	n/a	21	nd - 76	NO	2014			
Specific Conductance (E.C.) (umho/cm+)	1600	322	nd - 880	NO	2014	Substances that form ions when in water; seawater influence		
Sulfate (SO4) (mg/L)	500	12	nd - 79	NO	2014	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes		
Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) (mg/L)	1000	234	nd - 580	NO	2014	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits		
Total Hardness (as CaCO3) (mg/L)	n/a	122	nd - 410	NO	2014			
Turbidity (Lab) (units)	5	0.132	nd - 3	NO	2014	Soil runoff		
Zinc (Zn) (mg/L)	5	0.001	nd - 0.17	NO	2014	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes		

(9) Iron: Two wells had results that exceeded the Secondary MCL for Iron and confirmation results are pending. Iron is not a health related contaminant but may cause discoloration and staining of appliances, fixtures and clothing.

(10) Manganese: PS 135B had several detections above the Secondary MCL for Manganese while monitoring for SMCL compliance. The well has confirmed above the MCL and was removed from service in December 2014. The well is currently offline and a treatment system is currently being designed for the site.

Table 5: TURBIDITY IN NORTH EAST FRESNO RELATED TO SURFACE WATER TREATMENT PLANT OPERATIONS									
	MCL MCLG Level Found Range Sample Date Violation Typical Source								
Turbidity (NTU)	TT = 1 NTU	2/2	0.198		3-Dec-15	n/a	Soil runoff		
	TT = 95% of samples <0.3 NTU	n/a	100%	n/a	Continuous	n/a			
Turbidity is a management of the algorithm of the supervised by the votice of the intervise of light apartment of the intervise of incident light. We manifes it because it is a good indicates of the effectiveness of									

Turbidity is a measurement of the cloudiness of the water determined by the ratio of the intensity of light scattered by the sample to the intensity of incident light. We monitor it because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of our filtration system.

## WATER CONSERVATION

After four consecutive years of drought, the Golden State finally received an above-average year of rain. But getting a normal amount of rain one year is not going to cure all that ails our dry state. We need to work harder than ever to stay on the cutting-edge of water conservation – because we never know what the future holds, but we do know that if we each save a little, we'll all save a lot.



### Retain Your Resources With Rebates

Save water and money when you take advantage of one or more rebate opportunities!

State of California Turf Replacement and Toilet Rebates: www.SaveOurWaterRebates.com

#### City of Fresno Rebates: Residential

Clothes Washer – \$50 Evaporative Cooler – \$100 Lawn to Garden Conversion – \$.50 per square foot Micro Irrigation Conversion – \$.25 per square foot Rain Sensor – \$50 Rainwater Harvesting – \$50 Recirculating Hot Water Pump – \$100 Smart Irrigation Controller – \$50 Soil Moisture Sensor – \$50 Sprinkler Nozzles – up to \$4 per nozzle Swimming Pool Cover – \$50 Toilets – \$50

Commercial Only Toilets - \$50 Urinal - \$100

Download rebate forms at www.fresno.gov/water

#### Water Conservation Services

#### Water-wise landscape consultation

A City of Fresno landscape specialist will come to your home and share customized information about waterwise plant choices, turf selections, and more.

#### Irrigation efficiency audit

A City of Fresno landscape specialist will come to your home to look for irrigation inefficiencies.

#### Help setting irrigation controllers

A City of Fresno representative will come to your home and show you how to adjust your automatic water timer for free.

#### Interior/exterior water leak surveys

A City of Fresno representative will come to your home to conduct a free water leak survey in order to find leaks.

#### Meter use information

City of Fresno water customers can view numbers and graphs of their total monthly water consumption, as well as their average daily metered water usage, by clicking the "pay utilities bill" tab at www.fresno.gov and logging into their utilities account. For details contact Utility Billing & Collection at 621-6888.

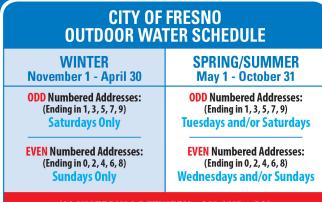
# Water Conservation Hotline 621-5480

Call to report water waste.

You can also email waterconservation@fresno.gov or use the online reporting form at www.fresno.gov/water

# Know Your Watering Schedule\*

The watering schedule changes as the seasons change. Be aware of the days and times you're allowed to water by checking the schedule:



#### NO WATERING BETWEEN 9AM AND 6PM

\*Watering schedules are subject to change at any time.

#### **Other Things You Should Know**

- Customers may not use potable (fresh, drinking) water to wash sidewalks, walkways, driveways, parking lots, open ground, or other hard surface areas except where necessary for public health or safety.
- Car washing is allowed only with a bucket and a hose equipped with a shut off nozzle for a quick rinse.
- Irrigating outdoor landscapes with potable water during and following 48 hours of a measurable rainfall is prohibited.
- A permit is required to drain a swimming pool (Fresno Municipal Code-Sect 6-520 C (5). A free permit may be requested by calling 621-5480 or completeing the online form by clicking on \$Rebates\$; Permits at www.fresno.gov/water.
- A permit is required if additional watering days are needed to install new lawn and plants for current customers. The City does not require a permit to re-seed lawns, however no extra water days are provided.
- Power outages can cause timers to reset schedules. Please check to make sure your timer is set correctly and install a fresh battery if needed.