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ANNUAL WATER QUALITY REPORT 2015

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua beber. Tradúzcalo ó hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

Water quality has always been a priority for Pleasant Valley Mutual Water Company. Our mission has been to provide a reliable supply of quality water. This report provides information about the sources and quality of the water delivered to you in 2015. Included are details about where your water comes from, what it contains and how it compares to state standards.

Last year we conducted multiple tests for over one hundred drinking water contaminants to determine concentrations of mineral, physical, bacteriological, inorganic, organic and radioactive constituents. For more information about your water, please call the office at (805) 482-5061 and ask for Jerry Doran.

Your water comes from three municipal wells sunk about six hundred feet into an underground source of water called the Fox Canyon Aquifer. These wells are located on the east side of our district. The Water Company owns the land around these wells and restricts any activity that could contaminate them. After the water comes out of the wells, we treat it to remove some contaminants and we also add a disinfectant to protect against microbial contaminants. In addition, we use a Filtronics Iron and Manganese Filtration Plant, with a Water Reclaim System to remove iron, manganese and sulfur from the water.

We also use another source of water imported from Calleguas Municipal Water District, which is filtered and disinfected at the Metropolitan Water District of California's Jensen Filtration Facility located in Granada Hills. In December 2002, Metropolitan Water District of Southern California completed its source water assessment of its State Water Project supplies. State Water Project supplies are considered to be most vulnerable to urban/storm water runoff, wildlife, agriculture, recreation and wastewater. A copy of the assessment can be obtained by contacting Metropolitan by phone at (213) 217-6850. In July 2001 Pleasant Valley Mutual Water completed its source water assessment. We are considered most vulnerable to Sewer Collection System. A copy of the assessment can be obtained contacting us by phone at (805) 482-5061.

Our water board meets the third Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Water Company's office, located at 1863 Las Posas Road. All shareholders and customers are welcome to participate in these meetings.

The sources of drinking water (both tap 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.

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. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (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).

Contaminants that may be present in source water before we treat it 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, that can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water 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 storm water 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 storm water 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.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the USEPA and the State Department of Health Services (Department) prescribe regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Department regulations also establish limits for contaminants in bottled water that provide the same protection for public health.

WATER QUALITY DATA

The tables below list all the drinking water contaminants that we detected during the 2015 calendar year. The presence of these contaminants in the water does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. Unless otherwise noted, the data presented in this table is from testing done January 1 – December 31, 2015. The State requires us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. Some of the data, though representative of the water quality, is more than one year old.

Terms and abbreviations used below:

- **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.
- **Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG):**
- **Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL):**
- **Regulatory Action Level (AL):**
- **n/a:** not applicable
- **n/d:** not detectable at testing limit
- **ppb:** parts per billion or micrograms per liter
- **ppm:** parts per million or milligrams per liter
- **pCi/l:** picocuries per liter (a measure of radiation)
- **mfl:** million fibers per liter (longer than 10um)
- **ntu:** nephelometric turbidity units

TABLE 1 - SAMPLING RESULTS SHOWING THE DETECTION OF LEAD AND COPPER

Lead and Copper	No. of samples collected	90th percentile level detected	No. Sites exceeding AL	AL	MCLG	Typical Source of Contamination
Lead (ppb)	20	4.1	0	15	2	Internal corrosion of household water plumbing systems; discharges from manufacturers; erosion of natural deposits.
Copper (ppm)	20	275	0	1.3	0.17	Internal corrosion of household water plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives.

TABLE 2 - SAMPLING RESULTS SHOWING THE DETECTION OF SODIUM AND HARDNESS

Chemical	WELL # 9			WELL # 10			WELL # 11			MCL	PHG (MCLG)	Typical Source of Contamination
	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections			
Sodium (ppm)				2015	114	60-114	2014	218	140-227	NONE	NONE	Generally found in ground and surface water
Hardness (ppm)				2015	679	300-679	2014	1000	432-1020	NONE	NONE	Generally found in ground and surface water

PRIMARY DRINKING WATER STANDARDS - Mandatory Health-Related Standards

TABLE 3 - CLARITY

Chemical	WELL # 9			WELL # 10			WELL # 11			MCL	PHG (MCLG)	Typical Source of Contamination
	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections			
Turbidity (NTU)				2015	0.4	0.3-1.2	2014	0.7	0.3-34.8	5		Soil run off

TABLE 4 - MICROBIOLOGICAL

	UNITS	MCL	PHG	STATE DLR	RANGE AVERAGE						
		STATE									
Total Coliform Bacteria	1	1	0		RANGE		SYSTEM WIDE				Naturally present in the environment
					AVERAGE		SYSTEM WIDE				

TABLE 5 - INORGANIC CHEMICALS

Chemical	WELL # 9			WELL # 10			WELL # 11			MCL	PHG (MCLG)	Typical Source of Contamination
	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections			
Barium (ppm)				2015	0.05	ND-0.062	2014	0.036	.057-.078	1	2	Discharges of oil drilling wastes and from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
Flouride (ppm)				2015	0.3	0-0.3	2014	0.1	0.2-.03	2	1	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive that promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Nickle (ppb)				2015	2	0-2.0	2014	3	0.2-.03	100	N/A	Erosion of natural deposits; discharge from metal
Selenium (ppb)				2015	2	0-2.0	2014	4	ND-4	50	50	Discharge from petroleum, glass, and metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits; discharge from mines and chemical manufacturers;
Nitrate (ppm)				2015	0.3	ND-1.3	2014	2.6	ND-2.6	45	45	Runoff and leaching from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks and sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Chromium (ppm)							2014	1	0-1	5	2.5	Discharges of oil drilling waste and from metal refiniers. Erosion of natural
Copper (ppm)							2014	70	0-70	2	1	Internal corrosion of household plumbing system Erosion of natural deposits.

TABLE 6 - RADIONUCLIDES

Chemical	WELL # 9			WELL # 10			WELL # 11			MCL	PHG (MCLG)	Typical Source of Contamination
	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections			
Gross Alpha Radium							2015	13.3	1.74-13.3	15	0	Erosion of natural deposits
Uranium							2015	0.543	0-0.543	5	0	Erosion of natural deposits
							2015	6.07	0-9.02	20	0	Erosion of natural deposits

(a2) Well #9 Inactive

TABLE 7 - SECONDARY STANDARDS (AESTHETIC STANDARDS)

Chemical	WELL # 9			WELL # 10			WELL # 11			MCL	PHG (MCLG)	Typical Source of Contamination
	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections			
Chloride (ppm)				2015	115	65-115	2014	150	137-172	500	NS	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; seawater influence
Total Dissolved Solids (ppm)				2015	1310	600-1310	2014	1940	1170-1940	1000	NS	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits
Iron (ppb) (a)				2015	70	110-250	2014	220	120-335	300	NS	Leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes
Manganese (ppb) (a)				2015	220	130-250	2014	190	170-200	50	NS	Leaching from natural deposits
Sepecific Conductance (umho/cm)				2015	1740	920-1740	2014	2570	1600-2570	1600	NS	Substances that form ions when in water; seawater influence
Sulfate (ppm)				2015	580	170-580	2014	962	321-962	500	NS	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes

(a) Iron and manganese was found at levels that exceed the secondary MCL of 300 ug/l for Iron and 50 ug/l for Manganese.

The MCL was set to protect you against unpleasant aesthetic effects such as color, taste, odor and the staining of plumbing fixtures (e.g. tubs, sinks) and clothing while washing. The high levels are due to leaching natural deposits. Since violating this MCL does not pose a risk to the public health, the state allows the affected community to decide whether or not to treat to remove it. In December of 1999, we conducted a consumer survey to decide whether the consumer wanted to pay to remove it. The majority voted against paying for removal.

TABLE 8 - ADDITIONAL CONSTITUENTS ANALYZED

Chemical	WELL # 9			WELL # 10			WELL # 11			MCL	PHG (MCLG)
	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections		
PH (units)				2015	7.5	7.7-7.5	2014	7.5	6.1-8.3	6.5-8.5	NS
Aggressive Index (a1)				2015	12.5	12.1-13	2014	12.8	-	-	-
Bicarbonate Alkalinity (ppm)				2015	260	260-300	2014	320	290-450	-	-
Calcium (ppm)				2015	193	89-193	2014	279	107-290	-	-
Magnesium (ppm)				2015	48	25-48	2014	75	40-75	-	-
Potassium (ppm)				2015	6	4-100	2014	8	5.0-8.0	-	-
Total Anions (meq/L)				2015	19.6	11.3-19.6	2014	29.6	18.3-29.6	-	-
Total Cations				2015	18.7	11.5-18.7	2014	29.8	0-29.8	-	-
BORON				2015	300	260-300	2014	700	0-700	N/S	N/A
Total Alkalinity(as CaCO3)				2015	220	0-240	2014	260	0-270		

(a1) Aggressive Index >11.5 suggests non-corrosive water

(a2) Well #9 Inactive

TABLE 9 - ADDITIONAL CONSTITUENTS ANALYZED

Chemical	Mesa Dr./W. Highland Dr.							
	Sample Date	Range of Detections						
Total Trihalomethan	2015	2.8-29.3/3.3-34.6	2014	4.6-26.1/3.1-27.1	2014	4.2-8.6/5.4-12.4	2014	4.2-10.9/3.5-20.3
Total	2015	65.8 74.1	2014	53.9 47.7	2014	25.9 35.3	2014	29.2 74.2
Haloacetic Acids	2015	ND-2/ND-2	2014	ND-4/ND-4	2014	ND-4/ND-5	2014	ND-3/ND-10
Total	2015	3 3	2014	7 4	2014	10 10	2014	45 12

TABLE 10 - IRON AND MANGANESE FILTRATION PLANT

Chemical	INFLUENT PLANT		EFFLUENT PLANT		MCL (ppb)
	Sample Date	Range of Detections	Sample Date	Range of Detections	
Iron	2015	100-350	2014	ND-130	300
Manganese	2015	70-230	2014	ND-4	50

TABLE 11 - TDS &SULFATE

Chemical	WELL #10		WELL #11		COMBINED SITE		MCL (MG/L)
	Sample Date	Range of Detections	Sample Date	Range of Detections	Sample Date	Range of Detections	
TDS	2015	1240-1330	2015	1920-2000	2015	1640-1720	500
SULFATE	2015	570-600	2015	820-940	2015	710-980	250