

# The Owens Valley 2015 Consumer Confidence Report



Attached is a copy of the Owens Valley Conservation Camp Consumer Confidence Report. The Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) is prepared and distributed annually to all water consumers at the conservation camp. It is our desire to continue to provide healthy, continuous, and great tasting water to all of our customers. We are also obligated to inform our customers of the Governors' restrictions on water use. California remains in an extreme drought condition and we are all required to conserve water. The guidelines for tier 3 water conservation are condensed as follows:

- Lawn watering restricted to 2 days per week (a maximum of 15 minutes per station)
- Irrigation only during the hours of 10:00 PM and 6:00AM
- No landscapes irrigation within 48 hours after measurable rainfall
- Zero runoff from irrigation
- No cleaning walk ways or drive ways using water
- No use of hose without shutoff device to wash vehicles
- Report all suspected leaks and water waste immediately

The full text of the resolution is available on request. Use water wisely! If we can reduce our usage by 25% we will be able to revert back to tier 2 restrictions in the future. If you have any questions about this report or would like information on water conservation, please feel free to contact Joe Tabush at (760) 387-2565.

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Water System Name: Owens Valley Conservation Camp Report Date: 6/29/2016

*We test the drinking water quality for many constituents as required by state and federal regulations. This report shows the results of our monitoring for the period of January 1 - December 31, 2015 and may include earlier monitoring data.*

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

Type of water source(s) in use: Groundwater

Name & general location of source(s): Well 1 (Water System 1410800-001)  
Well 2 (Water System 1410800-002)

Drinking Water Source Assessment information:	<a href="#">Source Number</a>	<a href="#">Source ID</a>	<a href="#">Most Vulnerable Activities (PCA)</a>	<a href="#">Ch</a>
	<a href="#">001</a>	<a href="#">Well 01</a>	<a href="#">Septic systems low density, Sewer collection system, lagoons liquid waste</a>	<a href="#">No</a>
	<a href="#">002</a>	<a href="#">Well 02</a>	<a href="#">Septic systems low density, Sewer collection system, lagoons liquid waste</a>	<a href="#">No</a>

[A copy of the complete assessment may be viewed at the Owens Valley Conservation Camp's office or at the RWQCB San Bernardino District Office, 464 West 4<sup>th</sup> street, Suite 437, San Bernardino, CA 92401. You may request a summary of the assessment be sent to you by contacting the RWQCB District Engineer at \(909\) 383-4328.](#)

Time and place of regularly scheduled board meetings for public participation: N/A

For more information, contact: [Joe Tabush](#) Phone: (—)760-702-1602

### TERMS USED IN THIS REPORT

**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 (USEPA).

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

**Secondary Drinking Water Standards (SDWS):** MCLs for contaminants that affect taste, odor, or appearance of the drinking water. Contaminants with SDWSs do not affect the health at the MCL levels.

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

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

**Variations and Exemptions:** State Board permission to

<p><b>Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL):</b> 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.</p> <p><b>Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG):</b> 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.</p>	<p>exceed an MCL or not comply with a treatment technique under certain conditions.</p> <p><b>ND:</b> not detectable at testing limit</p> <p><b>ppm:</b> parts per million or milligrams per liter (mg/L)</p> <p><b>ppb:</b> parts per billion or micrograms per liter (µg/L)</p> <p><b>ppt:</b> parts per trillion or nanograms per liter (ng/L)</p> <p><b>ppq:</b> parts per quadrillion or picogram per liter (pg/L)</p> <p><b>pCi/L:</b> picocuries per liter (a measure of radiation)</p>
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**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, 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.

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

**Tables 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, and 8 list all of the drinking water contaminants that were detected during the most recent sampling for the constituent.** The presence of these contaminants in the water does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. The State Board allows us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently. Some of the data, though representative of the water quality, are more than one year old.

<b>Microbiological Contaminants</b> (complete if bacteria detected)	<b>Highest No. of Detections</b>	<b>No. of months in violation</b>	<b>MCL</b>	<b>MCLG</b>	<b>Typical Source of Bacteria</b>
Total Coliform Bacteria	(In a mo.) <u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	More than 1 sample in a month with a detection	0	Naturally present in the environment
Fecal Coliform or <i>E. coli</i>	(In the year) <u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	A routine sample and a repeat sample detect total coliform and either sample also detects fecal coliform or <i>E. coli</i>	0	Human and animal fecal waste

Lead and Copper (complete if lead or copper detected in the last sample set)	Sample Date	No. of samples collected	90 <sup>th</sup> percentile level detected	No. sites exceeding AL	AL	PHG	Typical Source of Contaminant
Lead (ppb)	8/22/14	<u>10</u>	<u>&lt;5</u>	<u>0</u>	15	0.2	Internal corrosion of household water plumbing systems; discharges from industrial manufacturers; erosion of natural deposits
Copper (ppm)	8/22/14	<u>10</u>	<u>&lt;0.061</u>	<u>0</u>	1.3	0.3	Internal corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives

Chemical or Constituent (and reporting units)	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections	MCL	PHG (MCLG)	Typical Source of Contaminant
Sodium (ppm)	<u>3/20/14 &amp; 4/30/15</u>	<u>6.8</u>	<u>6.2-7.4</u>	none	none	Salt present in the water and is generally naturally occurring
Hardness (ppm)	<u>3/20/14 &amp; 4/30/15</u>	<u>43.5</u>	<u>41-46</u>	none	none	Sum of polyvalent cations present in the water, generally magnesium and calcium, and are usually naturally occurring

\*Any violation of an MCL or AL is asterisked. Additional information regarding the violation is provided later in this report.

Chemical or Constituent (and reporting units)	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections	MCL [MRDL]	PHG (MCLG) [MRDLG]	Typical Source of Contaminant
<u>Nitrates (mg/L)</u>	<u>4/30/15</u>	<u>&lt;2.0</u>	<u>&lt;2.0</u>	<u>None</u>	<u>None</u>	<u>Runoff and leaching from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks and sewage; erosion of natural deposits</u>
<u>Fluoride (mg/L)</u>	<u>3/20/14 &amp; 4/30/15</u>	<u>0.15</u>	<u>0.1-0.2</u>	<u>None</u>	<u>None</u>	<u>Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories</u>

Chemical or Constituent (and reporting units)	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections	MCL	PHG (MCLG)	Typical Source of Contaminant
<u>Turbidity (NTU)</u>	<u>3/20/14 &amp; 4/30/15</u>	<u>1.6</u>	<u>3.0-&lt;0.2</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>Soil Runoff</u>
<u>Chloride (PPM)</u>	<u>3/20/14 &amp; 4/30/15</u>	<u>&lt;0.75</u>	<u>&lt;0.5-&lt;1.0</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>Runoff leaching from natural deposits</u>
<u>Sulfate (PPM)</u>	<u>3/20/14 &amp; 4/30/15</u>	<u>6.1</u>	<u>5.9-6.3</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>Runoff leaching from natural deposits</u>
<u>TDS (PPM)</u>	<u>3/20/14 &amp; 4/30/15</u>	<u>115</u>	<u>100-130</u>	<u>1000</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>Runoff leaching from natural deposits</u>
<u>Color (Units)</u>	<u>3/20/14 &amp; 4/30/15</u>	<u>&lt;3.0</u>	<u>&lt;3.0</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>Naturally occurring organic materials</u>
<u>Specific Conductance (unho/cm)</u>	<u>3/20/14 &amp; 4/30/15</u>	<u>110</u>	<u>100-120</u>	<u>1600</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>Substances that form Ions when in water</u>
<u>Iron (ug/L)</u>	<u>11/6/14 &amp; 4/30/15</u>	<u>&lt;100</u>	<u>&lt;100</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>Leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes</u>



Chemical or Constituent (and reporting units)	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections	Notification Level	Health Effects Language
<a href="#">None</a>	<a href="#">N/A</a>	<a href="#">N/A</a>	<a href="#">N/A</a>	<a href="#">N/A</a>	<a href="#">N/A</a>

\*Any violation of an MCL, MRDL, or TT is asterisked. Additional information regarding the violation is provided later in this report.

### Additional General Information on Drinking Water

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 the 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).

Lead-Specific Language for Community Water Systems: 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. Owens Valley Conservation Camp 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. [Optional: 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>.

### Summary Information for Violation of a MCL, MRDL, AL, TT, or Monitoring and Reporting Requirement

VIOLATION OF A MCL, MRDL, AL, TT, OR MONITORING AND REPORTING REQUIREMENT				
Violation	Explanation	Duration	Actions Taken to Correct the Violation	Health Effects Language
<a href="#">None</a>				

### For Water Systems Providing Ground Water as a Source of Drinking Water

TABLE 7 – SAMPLING RESULTS SHOWING FECAL INDICATOR-POSITIVE GROUND WATER SOURCE SAMPLES					
Microbiological Contaminants	Total No. of	Sample	MCL	PHG	Typical Source of Contaminant

(complete if fecal-indicator detected)	Detections	Dates	[MRDL]	(MCLG) [MRDLG]	
<i>E. coli</i>	(In the year) <u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	0	(0)	Human and animal fecal waste
Enterococci	(In the year) <u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	TT	n/a	Human and animal fecal waste
Coliphage	(In the year) <u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	TT	n/a	Human and animal fecal waste

**Summary Information for Fecal Indicator-Positive Ground Water Source Samples, Uncorrected Significant Deficiencies, or Ground Water TT**

SPECIAL NOTICE OF FECAL INDICATOR-POSITIVE GROUND WATER SOURCE SAMPLE				
<u>N/A</u>				
SPECIAL NOTICE FOR UNCORRECTED SIGNIFICANT DEFICIENCIES				
<u>N/A</u>				
VIOLATION OF GROUND WATER TT				
TT Violation	Explanation	Duration	Actions Taken to Correct the Violation	Health Effects Language
<u>N/A</u>				

**For Systems Providing Surface Water as a Source of Drinking Water**

TABLE 8 - SAMPLING RESULTS SHOWING TREATMENT OF SURFACE WATER SOURCES	
Treatment Technique <sup>(a)</sup> (Type of approved filtration technology used)	<u>N/A</u>
Turbidity Performance Standards <sup>(b)</sup> (that must be met through the water treatment process)	Turbidity of the filtered water must: 1 – Be less than or equal to <u>N/A</u> NTU in 95% of measurements in a month. 2 – Not exceed <u>N/A</u> NTU for more than eight consecutive hours. 3 – Not exceed <u>N/A</u> NTU at any time.
Lowest monthly percentage of samples that met Turbidity Performance Standard No. 1.	<u>N/A</u>
Highest single turbidity measurement during the year	<u>N/A</u>
Number of violations of any surface water treatment requirements	<u>N/A</u>

(a) A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.



**ATTACHMENT 7****Consumer Confidence Report  
Certification Form***(to be submitted with a copy of the CCR)***(to certify electronic delivery of the CCR, use the certification form on the State Board's website at [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking\\_water/certlic/drinkingwater/CCR.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking_water/certlic/drinkingwater/CCR.shtml))**Water System Name: Owens Valley Conservation CampWater System Number: 1410800

The water system named above hereby certifies that its Consumer Confidence Report was distributed on 6/30/2016 to customers (and appropriate notices of availability have been given). Further, the system certifies that the information contained in the report is correct and consistent with the compliance monitoring data previously submitted to the State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water.

Certified by: Name: Joe Tabush  
 Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Title: Chief Plant Operator  
 Phone Number: ( 760 ) 702-1602 Date: 6/30/2016

To summarize report delivery used and good-faith efforts taken, please complete the below by checking all items that apply and fill-in where appropriate:

- X CCR was distributed by mail or other direct delivery methods. Specify other direct delivery methods used: Hand Delivery \_\_\_\_\_
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- Posting the CCR on the Internet at www.\_\_\_\_\_
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- Publication of the CCR in a local newspaper of general circulation (attach a copy of the published notice, including name of newspaper and date published)
- X Posted the CCR in public places (attach a list of locations)  
***CalFire Office, California Department of Corrections Office and Bishop Station.***
- Delivery of multiple copies of CCR to single-billed addresses serving several persons, such as apartments, businesses, and schools
- Delivery to community organizations (attach a list of organizations)
- Other (attach a list of other methods used)
- For systems serving at least 100,000 persons: Posted CCR on a publicly-accessible internet site at the following address: www.N/A\_\_\_\_\_
- For privately-owned utilities: Delivered the CCR to the California Public Utilities Commission

*This form is provided as a convenience and may be used to meet the certification requirement of section 64483(c), California Code of Regulations.*