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**MANDATORY LANGUAGE FOR A MAXIMUM CONTAMINANT LEVEL
VIOLATION MCL, LRAA/TTHM**

Dear River Oaks Water Customer:

January 2, 2018

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has notified the CITY OF RIVER OAKS TX2200069 that the drinking water being supplied to customers had exceeded the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for total trihalomethanes. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has established the MCL for total trihalomethanes to be 0.080 milligrams per liter (mg/L) based on locational running annual average (LRAA), and has determined that it is a health concern at levels above the MCL. Analysis of drinking water in your community for total trihalomethanes indicates a compliance value in quarter three 2017 of 0.092 mg/L for DBP2-01 and 0.085 mg/L for DBP2-02.

Trihalomethanes (TTHM) are a group of volatile organic compounds that are formed when chlorine, added to the water during the treatment process for disinfection, reacts with the naturally-occurring organic matter in the water. Some people who drink water containing Trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL **over many years** may experience problems with their liver, kidney or central nervous systems, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer. **You do not need to use an alternative water supply.** However, if you have health concerns, you may want to talk to your doctor to get more information about how this may affect you.

We are taking the following actions to address this issue: The City of River Oaks is in process of a 4 stage approach to bring the trihalomethanes well under the MCL levels.

- **Install air diffuser equipment in the clear well treatment unit at the plant. Completed 2017 and is daily operational with reduced levels documented in second quarter of 2017.**
- **Install new chlorine monitoring and flow equipment. Scheduled installation on January 8, 2018 to be completed January 10, 2018.**
- **Completely rehab the clarifier treatment unit at the water plant. In process to be completed May 2018.**
- **Completely replace 50,000 feet of old water mains city wide with new PVC Pipe improving water quality and delivery. To be completed from early 2018 thru December 2020.**

Also Staff is daily monitoring the water quality in the system and flushing the system regularly to improve the water quality. Because the MCL is based on a running annual average, the reduced quarter 2 levels were not sufficient enough to reduce the annual running average to 0.080 mg/L and for that reason the city is required to issue public notice.

Please share this information with all people who drink this water, especially those that may not have received this notice directly (i.e. people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail. If you have any questions concerning this matter, you may contact **Gordon Smith at 817-626-5421, ext. 322.** *Este aviso también está disponible en español. Para obtener más información, póngase en contacto con Lourdes Torres al 817-626-5421, extensión 315.*

CITY OF RIVER OAKS

(Posted/Delivered on or by: January 4, 2018)


Gordon Smith, Director of Public Works