## IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

TOWN OF MOFFAT (PWSID CO0155518) **Has Multiple Violations** 

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

Although this situation is not an emergency, as our customers you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we are doing to correct this situation.

In 2021, the Town of Moffat was identified as meeting the definition of a public drinking water system, which introduced new regulations and guidelines to follow. A drinking water inspection performed by Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) on September 14, 2022 identified significant deficiencies and violations that may pose a risk to public health, and we have not yet been able to correct all of these by the required deadlines. CDPHE issued two Enforcement Orders and Penalties (Order Numbers DW.11.21.155518 and DW.06.23.155518) to our drinking water system on 11/10/2021 and 6/28/2023. We are actively advancing towards meeting the required standards. The Orders mandate that we implement corrective actions according to a detailed schedule and keep you informed of our progress. Our goal is to ensure you are updated as we approach or exceed the established deadlines.

In addition, the state drinking water program requires that all public drinking water systems must be under the direct supervision of a certified operator at the appropriate certification level. We have received a violation because our water system is not being operated by a state certified operator at the appropriate level. We are also required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. Recently, we did not complete all monitoring or testing for certain contaminants (identified in the table below) and therefore cannot be sure of the drinking water quality during that time.

Description of Violation or Deficiency	Missed Resolution Date	Steps We Are Taking	Estimated Completion Date
MD: Failure to disinfect groundwater using a continuous chemical treatment method	05/01/21	Town is developing a plan with GMS engineering to chlorinate and build the distribution system.	TBD, still developing the plan.
T112: Groundwater Disinfection. Wells 4, 7, and 10 do not have disinfection equipment	02/07/23	Well #10 has received a grant to chlorinate and the project is underway.	End of December 2025
present.		Well 4 and 7 are still in the planning phase under the new GMS plan.	TBD, still developing the plan.

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R518: Monitoring violation. Failure to develop an adequate bacteriological sampling plan.	02/07/23	Working on contacting residents to find sites to conduct testing.	End of November 2025
D240: Inadequate pressure in the distribution system (Well 7). This was identified as Significant Deficiency D240 during the September 2022 inspection.	02/07/23	Town is developing a plan with GMS engineering to build adequate distribution system.	TBD, still developing the plan.
R540: Design Approval. Failure to receive Department approval prior to construction of waterworks	02/07/23	When plan is developed with GMS engineering, new design construction plans will be submitted to the Department prior to construction.	TBD, still developing the plan.
Operator Certification. Failure to have the drinking water system operated by a state certified operator.	10/01/25	The Town conducted an exhaustive search to find a treatment operator who is now testing for his distribution certification.	End of November 2025
Failure to monitor: Glyphosate in second and third quarter 2025		Testing fell behind due to resignation of ORC and water clerk, since sampling has been brought up to date and back in compliance.	October 2025
Failure to monitor: Cadmium in second quarter 2025		Testing fell behind due to resignation of ORC and water clerk, since sampling has been brought up to date and back in compliance.	October 2025
Failure to monitor: Total coliform in June/July/August 2025		Testing fell behind due to resignation of ORC and water clerk, since sampling has been brought up to date and back in compliance.	October 2025

Failure to monitor: Lead and copper in Jan-	Testing fell behind due to resignation of ORC and water clerk, since sampling has	End of November 2025
June 2025	been brought up to date and back in compliance.	

## What does this mean?

- Low pressure in the distribution can constitute a health concern resulting from potential intrusion of contaminants into the distribution system from the surrounding environment.
- Uncontrolled cross connections can lead to a back pressure or siphonage event that may allow contaminants or disease-causing organisms to enter the drinking water.
- Uncorrected significant deficiencies may allow contamination or disease-causing organisms to enter the drinking water.
- Inadequately treated water may contain disease-causing organisms.
- These disease-causing organisms (viruses, parasites, bacteria) can cause symptoms such as diarrhea, nausea, cramps, and associated headaches. These symptoms are not only caused by organisms in drinking water, but also by other factors. If you experience any of these symptoms and they persist, you may want to consult your doctor.

## What should I do?

- You do not need to boil your water or take other actions. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor. If you have an infant, severely compromised immune system, are pregnant, or are elderly, you may be at increased risk and should seek advice from your doctor about drinking this water.
- General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by bacteria and other disease-causing organisms are available from EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.
- If you receive water from Well 4, Well 7, or Well 10, you may want to use an alternative drinking water supply (such as bottled water) until the water is disinfected. Not all homes receive water from these wells. Some homes and buildings receive water from other sources that are not owned by the Town. If you are unsure where your water comes from, please contact us for assistance.

For more information, please contact Melinda Myers at 719-849-9012 or mayor@moffatcolorado.com

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, 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.

This notice is sent to you by: Town of Moffat - Public Water System ID CO0155518.

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