SOMERVELL COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

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Notice to All Somervell County Water District Customers

October 20, 2025

Somervell County Water District (SCWD) has dealt with occasionally high Total Trihalomethane (TTHM) and Haloacetic Acid (HAA5) issues concerning the Wheeler Branch Reservoir water since we began producing treated water in November 2011. TTHM and HAA5 issues are common with Texas surface water suppliers that use free chlorine as a primary disinfectant for surface water.

The District hired the Engineer firm of Enprotec/Hibbs& Todd (EHT) to help the District resolve the issue. EHT was initially hired to research converting from a free chlorine disinfectant to chloramines but eventually decided the best solution to the District's TTHM/HAA5 problems was to stay with free chlorine and add a pre-treatment in front of our micro-filtration system to remove organics and an air stripping system at the end of our treatment process to remove TTHM/HAA5's.

SCWD selected BAR Constructors of Lancaster Texas as General Contractor to perform the improvements. TTHM/HAA5 remediation equipment is on site at the SCWD treatment plant and currently being installed. Installation of equipment is nearing completion and will be ready for startup in the next few weeks. District staff are confident that all TTHM/HAA5 issues will be in compliance with TCEQ standards prior to our next scheduled MCL analysis.

Sincerely,

Kevin Taylor
General Manager
Somervell County Water District

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The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has notified the **SOMERVELL COUNTY WATER DISTRICT PWS 2130042** public water system 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 a 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;

- 3Q2025 of 0.208 mg/L for 1171 CHEYENNE TRAIL, NEMO (DBP2-02)
- 3Q2025 of 0.165 mg/L for B PALUXY SUMMIT / OUTLAW SATION, GLENROSE (DBP2-01)

Trihalomethanes are a group of volatile organic compounds that are formed when chlorine, added to the water during the treatment process for disinfection, reacts with 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.

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has notified the **SOMERVELL COUNTY WATER DISTRICT PWS 2130042** Public water system that the drinking water being supplied to customers had exceeded the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for total haloacetic acids. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has established the MCL for total haloacetic acids to be 0.060 milligrams per liter (mg/L) based on a 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 **haloacetic acids** indicates a compliance value for:

- 3Q2025 of 0.078 mg/L for 1171 CHEYENNE TRAIL, NEMO (DBP2-02)

Haloacetic acids are a group of volatile organic compounds that are formed when chlorine, added to the water during the treatment process for disinfection, reacts with naturally-occurring organic matter in the water.

Some people who drink water containing haloacetic acids in excess of the MCL over many years 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 these TTHM/HAA5 issues:

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Please share this information with all people who drink this water, especially those who 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.

For further information, please see the other side or if you have questions regarding this matter, you may contact Kevin Taylor at 254-897-4141

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