

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Our water system recently violated drinking water standards. Although this was 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.

### **Poteau Valley Improvement Authority Has Levels of Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) Above Drinking Water Standards**

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. Testing results we received for the indicated time period(s) show that our system exceeds the standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL), for haloacetic acids (HAA5). The standard or MCL for HAA5 is 0.060 mg/L. It is determined by averaging all the samples collected at each sampling location for the past 12 months. The level of haloacetic acids averaged at our system's locations was the following:

<u>Twelve-month time period</u>	<u>Locational Running Annual Average with Sample Location</u>
<i>Fourth Quarter 2025</i>	<i>0.065 MG/L - SPIRO EAST METER HOUSE</i>

What should I do? There is nothing you need to do unless you have a severely compromised immune system, have an infant or are elderly. These people may be at increased risk and should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers.

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CORRECTIVE ACTION: What happened? What is being done? When will the violation be resolved?

Haa5 average exceeded. Flushing. This should be resolved by May 2026.

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For further information contact: James Morrison 918-655-7500

*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 being sent to you by Poteau Valley Improvement Authority

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