## 2023 Water Quality Report for City of Potterville

Water Supply Serial Number: 5550

This report covers the drinking water quality for City of Potterville for the 2023 calendar year. This information is a snapshot of the quality of the water that we provided to you in 2023. Included are details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) and state standards.

Your water comes from two groundwater wells, each over 200 feet. The State performed an assessment of our source water to determine the susceptibility or the relative potential of contamination. The susceptibility rating is on a seven-tiered scale from "very-low" to "very-high" based on geologic sensitivity, well construction, water chemistry and contamination sources. The susceptibility of our source is moderate risk for Well #1 and moderate-to-low risk for Well #2.

There are no significant sources of contamination in our water supply. We are making efforts to protect our sources by participating in the wellhead protection program.

If you would like to know more about this report, please contact: Donald Stanley, City of Potterville Director of Public Works at 517-667-9524 or 517-645-7641, <a href="mailto:dstanley@pottervillemi.org">dstanley@pottervillemi.org</a>, www.pottervillemi.org, 319 N Nelson St. Potterville, Mi 48876. The City of Potterville is an equal opportunity employer. The 2023 Water Quality Report is made available online at https://pottervillemi.org/department-of-public-works/

Contaminants and their presence in 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 water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the U.S. EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

**Vulnerability of sub-populations:** 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 systems 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. U.S. EPA/Center for Disease Control guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Sources of drinking water: The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. Our water comes from 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, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which 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, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture and residential uses.
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.



In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the U.S. EPA prescribes regulations that limit the levels of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Federal Food and Drug Administration regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which provide the same protection for public health.

### Water Quality Data

The table below lists all the drinking water contaminants that we detected during the 2023 calendar year. The presence of these contaminants in the water does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. Unless otherwise noted, the data presented in this table is from testing done January 1 through December 31, 2023. The State allows us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. All the data is representative of the water quality, but some are more than one year old.

#### Terms and abbreviations used below:

- <u>Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG)</u>: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
- <u>Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)</u>: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
- <u>Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL)</u>: 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.
- <u>Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG)</u>: 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.
- Treatment Technique (TT): A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
- N/A: Not applicable
- ND: not detectable at testing limit
- ppm: parts per million or milligrams per liter
- ppb: parts per billion or micrograms per liter
- <u>ppt</u>: parts per trillion or nanograms per liter
- pCi/I: picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)
- Action Level (AL): The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system must follow.
- <u>Level 1 Assessment</u>: A study of the water supply to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system.
- <u>Level 2 Assessment:</u> A very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why an *E. coli* MCL violation has occurred and/or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system on multiple occasions.

#### 1Monitoring Data for Regulated Contaminants

Regulated Contaminant	MCL, TT, or MRDL	MCLG or MRDLG	Level Detected	Range	Year Sampled	Violation Yes/No	Typical Source of Contaminant	
Arsenic (ppb)	10	0	N/D	N/A	2023	NO	Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes	
Barium (ppm)	2	2	.13	N/A	2023	NO	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge of metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits	
Nitrate (ppm)	10	10	N/D	N/A	2023	NO	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits	
Fluoride (ppm)	4	4	.14	N/A	2021	NO	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories	
Sodium <sup>1</sup> (ppm)	N/A	N/A	33	N/A	2021	NO	Erosion of natural deposits	
TTHM Total Trihalomethanes (ppb)	80	N/A	.002	N/A	2023	NO	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection	
HAA5 Haloacetic Acids (ppb)	60	N/A	N/D	N/A	2023	NO	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection	
Chlorine <sup>2</sup> (ppm)	4	4	.31	N/A	2023	NO	Water additive used to control microbes	
Alpha emitters (pCi/L)	15	0	N/A	N/A	2023	YES	Erosion of natural deposits	
Combined radium (pCi/L)	5	0	N/A	N/A	2023	YES	Erosion of natural deposits	
Total Coliform	П	N/A	0	N/A	2023	NO	Naturally present in the environment	
E. coli in the distribution system (positive samples)	See E. coli note <sup>3</sup>	0	0	N/A	2023	NO	Human and animal fecal waste	
Fecal Indicator – E. coli at the source (positive samples)	ТТ	N/A	0	N/A	2023	NO	Human and animal fecal waste	

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 1}\,{\rm Sodium}$  is not a regulated contaminant.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The chlorine "Level Detected" was calculated using a running annual average.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> E. coli MCL violation occurs if: (1) routine and repeat samples are total coliform-positive and either is E. coli-positive, or (2) the supply fails to take all required repeat samples following E. coli-positive routine sample, or (3) the supply fails to analyze total coliform-positive repeat sample for E. coli.

Regulated Contaminant	MCL, TT, or MRDL	MCLG or MRDLG	Level Detected	Range	Year Sampled	Violation Yes/No	Typical Source of Contaminant
Hexafluoropropylene oxide dimer acid (HFPO-DA) (ppt)	370	N/A	N/D	N/A	2023	NO	Discharge and waste from industrial facilities utilizing the Gen X chemical process
Perfluorobutane sulfonic acid (PFBS) (ppt)	420	N/A	N/D	N/A	2023	NO	Discharge and waste from industrial facilities; stain-resistant treatments
Perfluorohexane sulfonic acid (PFHxS) (ppt)	51	N/A	N/D	N/A	2023	NO	Firefighting foam; discharge and waste from industrial facilities
Perfluorohexanoic acid (PFHxA) (ppt)	400,000	N/A	N/D	N/A	2023	NO	Firefighting foam; discharge and waste from industrial facilities
Perfluorononanoic acid (PFNA) (ppt)	6	N/A	N/D	N/A	2023	NO	Discharge and waste from industrial facilities; breakdown of precursor compounds
Perfluorooctane sulfonic acid (PFOS) (ppt)	16	N/A	N/D	N/A	2023	NO	Firefighting foam; discharge from electroplating facilities; discharge and waste from industrial facilities
Perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) (ppt)	8	N/A	N/D	N/A	2023	NO	Discharge and waste from industrial facilities; stain-resistant treatments
Inorganic Contaminant Subject to Action Levels (AL)	Action Level	MCLG	Your Water <sup>4</sup>	Range of Results	Year Sampled	Number of Samples Above AL	Typical Source of Contaminant
Lead (ppb)	15	0	2	0-3	2021	NO	Lead service lines, corrosion of household plumbing including fittings and fixtures; Erosion or natural deposits
Copper (ppm)	1.3	1.3	.54	06	2021	NO	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Ninety (90) percent of the samples collected were at or below the level reported for our water.

Information about lead: 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. City of Potterville 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. If you have a lead service line it is recommended that you run your water for at least 5 minutes to flush water from both your home plumbing and the lead service line. 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 <a href="http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead">http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead</a>.

We will update this report annually and will keep you informed of any problems that may occur throughout the year, as they happen. Copies are available at City Hall.

We invite public participation in decisions that affect drinking water quality. Council Meeting held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every month at City Hall (319 N Nelson St, Potterville MI 48876)@ 6pm. For more information about your water, or the contents of this report, contact Donald Stanley @ 517-667-9524. For more information about safe drinking water, visit the U.S. EPA at <a href="http://www.epa.gov/safewater">http://www.epa.gov/safewater</a>.

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER Monitoring Requirements Not Met for the City of Potterville

City of Potterville is 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. During the monitoring period of January 1, 2023, and September 30, 2023, we did not complete monitoring for Alpha emitters (gross alpha) at both of our plant taps and therefore, cannot be sure of the quality of your drinking water during that time. The violation **does not** pose a threat to the quality of the supply's water.

What should I do? There is nothing you need to do at this time. This is not an emergency. You do not need to boil water or use an alternative source of water at this time. Even though this is not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened and what we are doing to correct the situation.

The table below lists the contaminant we did not properly test for, how often we are supposed to sample for this contaminant, how many samples we are supposed to take, how many samples we took, when samples should have been taken, and the date follow-up samples will be collected.

Contaminants	Required sampling frequency	Number of samples taken	Date sample should have been collected	Date sample was collected on
Alpha emitters (gross alpha)	Every 6 years	0	January 1 2023 to September 30, 2023	November 29, 2023

What happened? What is being done? We did not collect a Alpha emitters (gross alpha) samples during the required monitoring period. We did collect the sample on November 29, 2023, and are back in compliance with Environment, Great Lakes and Energy. We are making every effort to assure this does not happen again. Our staff is working diligently to ensure that this doesn't occur again.

For more information, please contact Donald Stanley at 517-667-9524.

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.

More information about your drinking water is available from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Office of Water home page at: http://www.epa.gov/safewater/dwinfo.htm. This notice is being sent to you by the City of Potterville.

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I certify that this water supply has fully complied with the public notification regulations in the Michigan Safe Drinking Water Act, 1976 PA 299, as amended, and the administrative rules.

Signature: Double Stributed: 6-24-24