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PUBLIC NOTICE

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Elevated Combined Radium Levels Were Detected in Inver Grove Heights Drinking Water

The City of Inver Grove Heights, in conjunction with the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH), monitors its public water system for the presence of drinking water contaminants on a quarterly basis. The City was informed by the MDH that the most recent test samples, taken on March 22, 2023, show that the rolling annual average level of combined radium—types 226 and 228—at the Inver Grove Heights Water Treatment Plant was 5.1 picoCuries per liter (pCi/L).

Achieving MDH Compliance

While the most recent testing results indicate that radium concentrations have dropped and are below the allowable drinking water standard for radium, or Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) of 5.4 pCi/L, the City's water system remains out of compliance with MDH standards due to a previous sample that triggered a violation for radium concentrations. To achieve compliance, the City's water system must show at least two consecutive quarterly tests and rolling annual average concentrations of radium below the MCL.

What This Means

The City takes this matter seriously and is acting urgently to mitigate this issue. However, this is not an emergency. You do not need an alternative source of water (such as bottled water), nor do you need to boil water before use. People with specific health concerns are encouraged to consult their doctor or health care provider. Residents with questions about the effectiveness of their home water treatment systems in filtering radium should consult with the system manufacturer or installation company.

The previous [Public Notice](#) mailed to water customers on February 15, 2023, identified the steps the City has taken to address elevated radium levels in the City's drinking water. The City continues to provide updates on testing results and water treatment plant improvements at the following website:

www.ighmn.gov/waternotice

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