

**Norwalk Water System** 



## About the Company

GSWC is a wholly owned subsidiary of American States Water Company (NYSE:AWR) and provides water service to over 1 million customers throughout 12 counties in Northern, Coastal and Southern California. American States Water Company also owns a contracted services subsidiary, American States Utility Services, Inc. (ASUS). ASUS provides operations, maintenance and construction management services for water and wastewater systems located on military bases throughout the country under 50-year privatization contracts with the U.S. government. Bear Valley Electric Service is also a subsidiary and distributes electricity to approximately 24,000 customers in the City of Big Bear Lake and surrounding areas in San Bernardino County.



Robert Sprowls
President and
Chief Executive Officer
Golden State Water Company



Nem Ochoa General Manager, Central District Golden State Water Company

## President's Message

Dear Golden State Water Customer,

Golden State Water Company (GSWC) is pleased to present our 2025 Annual Water Quality Report (Consumer Confidence Report), providing customers with important information regarding local water quality and service during the 2024 calendar year.

GSWC is proud to serve more than one million customers across 81 communities in California, delivering reliable, high-quality water every day. We know that access to safe water is essential, and our team works around the clock to ensure your water is always there when you need it.

From scientists and engineers to water quality experts, our dedicated team continuously monitors and tests for hundreds of potential contaminants to keep your water safe. By proactively testing for hundreds of potential contaminants in our water systems, GSWC has consistently scored among the top water companies for compliance with water quality regulations.

GSWC proudly reports that the water delivered to your tap meets all federal and state quality standards established to protect the public's health and safety.

This report provides information regarding local water supply sources, testing, and the steps GSWC takes to ensure our water complies with the strictest standards set by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), State Water Resources Control Board's Division of Drinking Water (DDW), and California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC).

To access the most up-to-date Water Quality Report for your area, sampling results, and frequently asked questions, visit **www.gswater.com/water-quality**. If you have questions, please contact our 24-hour Customer Service Center at 1.800.999.4033 or email us at **customerservice@gswater.com**.

Given our proactive approach to maintaining, operating, and improving our water systems, our customers can rest assured that their monthly rates contribute directly to the safety and reliability of their local water system. This upholds the essential right of every Californian to access safe, clean, and affordable water, regardless of their zip code.

We encourage all customers to visit **www.gswater.com** and follow us on X (formerly Twitter) and Facebook at @GoldenStateH2O. On behalf of everyone at GSWC, thank you for allowing us to serve you and your community.

Sincerely,

Robert Sprowls

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Golden State Water is constantly working toward 100 percent customer satisfaction and we encourage you to visit www.gswater.com and follow us on Twitter and on Facebook at @GoldenStateH2O

# Where Does My Water Come From?

Water delivered to customers in the Norwalk System is a blend of groundwater pumped from the

Central Groundwater Basin and imported water from the Colorado River Aqueduct and the State Water Project (imported and distributed by the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California). The Central Groundwater Basin is bounded on the north by the La Brea Uplift; on the east by the Elysian, Repetto, Merced and Puente hills; on the southeast by the Orange County Groundwater Basin; and on the west by the Newport-Inglewood Fault Zone.



#### **Source Water Assessment**

GSWC conducted source water assessments in 2003, 2014 and 2021 for the groundwater wells that served the customers of the Norwalk System.

The groundwater sources are considered most vulnerable to the following activities not associated with detected contaminants: active and historic gas stations, auto repair and body shops, high density housing, car washes, cement/concrete plants, chemical/petroleum processing/storage, construction/demolition staging areas, dry cleaners, food processing, furniture repair/ manufacturing, high density housing, known contaminant plumes, metal plating/finishing/fabricating, oil, gas, geothermal wells, parking lots/malls, photo processing/printing, sewer collection systems, utility station maintenance areas, NPDES/WDR permitted discharges, confirmed leaking underground storage tanks, water supply wells, and wood/pulp/paper processing and mills.

Groundwater sources in this system are considered most vulnerable to the following activities associated with contaminants detected in the water supply: auto repair and body shops, gas stations, chemical/petroleum processing/storage, dry cleaners, electrical/electronic manufacturing, fleet/truck/bus terminals, gas stations, junk/scrap/salvage yards, landfills/dumps, machine shops, metal plating/finishing/fabricating, motor pools, plastics/synthetics producers, and railroad yards/maintenance/fueling areas.

A copy of the assessment may be viewed at:

State Water Board Los Angeles District Office 500 N. Central Ave., Suite 500, Glendale, CA 91203

You may request a summary of the assessment be sent to you by contacting:

State Water Board Los Angeles District Office at 1.818.551.2004

For more details, contact Phuong Nguyen, Water Quality Engineer, at 1.800.999.4033, or email the Customer Service Center at **customerservice@gswater.com**.

In December 2002, The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD) completed a source water assessment of its Colorado River and State Water Project supplies.

Colorado River supplies are considered to be most vulnerable to the following: increasing urbanization in the watershed, recreation, urban/stormwater runoff, and wastewater.

State Water Project supplies are considered to be most vulnerable to the following: agriculture, recreation, urban/stormwater runoff, wastewater, and wildlife.

A copy of the assessment can be obtained by contacting MWD at 1.213.217.6000.

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In every one of our water systems, a team of highly-trained employees monitors water quality on an on-going basis to ensure that our customers are receiving high-quality water. For more information and to access frequently asked questions about your 2024 CCR visit: https://gswater.com/ccrfaq





Delivering drinking water is serious business, and our team of scientists, engineers and water experts is dedicated to protecting our water systems and ensuring the water we deliver to local homes and businesses meets stringent standards set by the state and federal governments.



## **Glossary of Terms**

#### **Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)**

The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. Primary MCLs are set as close to the public health goals and maximum contaminant level goals as is economically and technologically feasible. Secondary MCLs are set to protect the odor, taste and appearance of drinking water.

#### California Notification Level (NL)

Non-regulatory, health-based advisory levels established by the State Board for contaminants in drinking water for which an MCL has not been established.

#### **Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG)**

The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. Maximum contaminant level goals are set by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA).

#### **Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL)**

The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that the addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

## Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG)

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.

#### **Primary Drinking Water Standard (PDWS)**

MCLs, MRDLs and treatment techniques (TTs) for contaminants that affect health, along with their monitoring and reporting requirements.

#### **Public Health Goal (PHG)**

The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. Public health goals are set by the California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA).

#### **Regulatory Action Level (AL)**

The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system must follow.

#### **Treatment Technique (TT)**

A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Unit of Measurement	Unit Abbreviation	Also Known as	This can be compared to		
Parts per million (PPM)	mg/L	milligrams per liter	1 second in 12 days		
Parts per billion (PPB)	μg/L	micrograms per liter	1 second in 32 years		
Parts per trillion (PPT)	ng/L	nanograms per liter	1 second in 32,000 years		
Grains per gallon	grains/gallon	a measurement for water hardness often used for sizing household water softeners	1 grain/gal equals 17.1 mg/L of hardness		
Nephelometric Turbidity Units	NTU	a measurement of the clarity of water	Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is noticeable to the average person		
Microsiemens per centimeter	μS/cm	a measurement of a solution's ability to conduct electricity			
Picocuries per liter	pCi/L	a measurement of radioactivity in water			

## How to Read This Table

The highest level of a constituent allowed in drinking water.

The highest level for which the constituent has no known or expected health risks.

The consumer confidence report lets you know which constituents, if any, are in your drinking water and how this may affect your health. The constituents presented in this table were detected above the detection limit set by the State Water Resources Control Board. Below is a guide that explains each column of the table.

L	The range of presence for whi the constituent was detected the drinking water.	ich in	a constit	age amount uent detecte inking water	d _	The most recent year tests were conducted.  Describes the most likely way constituent enters the drinkin Wording provided by the USER		
	Primary Standards - Health Based (units)	Primary MCL	PHG (MCLG)	Range of Detection	Average Level	Most Recent Sampling Date	Typical Source of Constituent	
	Substance A (mg/L)	50	0.6	ND - 40	20	2019	Erosion of natural deposits; residue from some surface water treatment processes	
	Substance B (μg/L)	6	1	0.1 - 2.8	1.7	2016	Discharge from petroleum refineries; fire retardants; ceramics; electronics; solder	

YOUR WATE	R MEETS	ALL CU	RRENT F	EDERA	L AND STAT	TE REQUIREMENTS			
Norwalk Water System – Source Water Quality									
Primary Standards – Health Based (units)	Primary MCL	PHG (MCLG)	Range of Detection	Average Level	Most Recent Sampling Date	Typical Source of Constituent			
Turbidity	TT - 1.0	n /n	- /-	0.00	2024	Cailmantf			
Highest single measurement of the treated surface water (NTU) Lowest percent of all monthly readings less than 0.3 NTU (%)	TT = 1.0 TT = 95	n/a n/a	n/a n/a	0.06 100%	2024 2024	Soil runoff Soil runoff			
Inorganic Constituents	11 33	117 0	117 0	10070	2024	30111011011			
Aluminum (mg/L)	1	0.6	ND - 0.15	ND	2024	Erosion of natural deposits; residue from some surface water treatment			
Aluminum (mg/ L)	'	0.0	ND - 0.13	IVD	2024	processes			
Barium (mg/L)	1	2	ND - 0.124	ND	2024	Discharges of oil drilling wastes and from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits			
Fluoride (mg/L) (a)	2.0	1	0.2 - 0.9	0.6	2024	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive that promotes strong teeth;			
Truotide (iiig/ E/ (d)	2.0	,	0.2 0.3	0.0	2024	discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories			
Nitrate [as N] (mg/L)	10	10	ND - 6.6	2.0	2024	Runoff and leaching from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks and sewage; erosion of natural deposits			
Perchlorate (µg/L)	6	1	ND - 2.8	ND	2024	Perchlorate is an inorganic chemical used in solid rocket propellant, fireworks, explosives, flares, matches, and a variety of industries. It usually gets into drinking water as a result of environmental contamination from historic aerospace or other industrial operations that used or use, store, or dispose of perchlorate and its salts.			
Volatile Organic Constituents		40	ND 0.00	ND	2024				
1,1-Dichloroethylene (µg/L) Radioactive Constituents	6	10	ND - 0.69	ND	2024	Discharge from industrial chemical factories			
Gross Alpha Activity (pCi/L)	15(b)	(0)	ND - 5	ND	2023	Erosion of natural deposits			
Gross Beta Activity (pCi/L)	50(c)	(0)	ND - 5	ND	2024	Decay of natural and manmade deposits			
Uranium (pCi/L)	20	0.43	ND - 6.2	2.0	2024	Erosion of natural deposits			
Secondary Standards – Aesthetic (units)	Secondary MCL	PHG (MCLG)	Range of Detection	Average Level	Most Recent Sampling Date	Typical Source of Constituent			
Aluminum (µg/L)	200	n/a	ND - 150	ND	2024	Erosion of natural deposits; residue from some surface water treatment processes			
Color (units)	15	n/a	ND - 2	ND	2024	Naturally-occurring organic materials			
Chloride (mg/L)	500	n/a	39 - 116	91	2024	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; seawater influence			
Odor—Threshold (units)	3	n/a	ND - 1	ND	2024	Naturally-occurring organic materials			
Specific Conductance (µS/cm)	1600	n/a	498 - 1300	960	2024	Substances that form ions when in water; seawater influence			
Sulfate (mg/L)	500	n/a	89 - 253	170	2024	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes			
Total Dissolved Solids (mg/L)	1000	n/a	291 - 890	605	2024	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits			
Turbidity (units)	5	n/a	ND - 0.30	0.12	2024	Soil runoff			
Other Parameters (units)	Notification Level	PHG (MCLG)	Range of Detection	Average Level	Most Recent Sampling Date	Typical Source of Constituent			
Alkalinity (mg/L)	n/a	n/a	94 - 300	180	2024				
Calcium (mg/L)	n/a	n/a	38 - 150	93	2024				
Hardness [as CaCO3] (mg/L)	n/a	n/a	143 - 505	323	2024	The sum of polyvalent cations present in the water, generally magnesium and calcium; the cations are usually naturally occurring			
Hardness [as CaCO3] (grains/gal)	n/a	n/a	8.4 - 30	19	2024	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,			
Magnesium (mg/L)	n/a	n/a	13 - 32	23	2024				
pH (pH units)	n/a	n/a	7.2 - 8.3	7.8	2024				
Potassium (mg/L)	n/a	n/a	2.6 - 5.6	4.7	2024				
Sodium (mg/L)	n/a	n/a	46 - 117	77	2024	Refers to the salt present in the water and is generally naturally occurring			
Unregulated Drinking Water Constituents (units)	Notification Level	PHG (MCLG)	Range of Detection	Average Level	Most Recent Sampling Date	Typical Source of Constituent			
HAA6Br [Total of 6 Brominated Haloacetic Acids] (µg/L)	n/a	n/a	0.60 - 17	6.7	2020				
HAA9 [Total of 9 Haloacetic Acids] (µg/L)	n/a	n/a	1.2 - 20	11	2020				
Lithium (ug/L)	n/a	n/a	ND - 58	ND	2024	Naturally-occurring; used in electrochemical cells, batteries, and organic syntheses and pharmaceuticals			
Manganese (µg/L) (d)	500	n/a	ND - 4.4	1.0	2020				
Perfluorobutanoic acid (PFBA) (ng/L) (e)	n/a	n/a	ND - 8.8	ND	2024				
Perfluoroheptanoic Acid (PFHpA) (ng/L) (e)	n/a	n/a	ND - 3.3	ND	2024				
Perfluorohexanoic Acid (PFHxA) (ng/L) (e)	n/a	n/a	ND - 16	ND	2024				
Perfluoropentanoic acid (PFPeA) (ng/L) (e)	n/a	n/a	ND - 18	4.0	2024				

(a) Our water system treats your water by adding fluoride to the naturally occuring level to help prevent dental caries in consumers. State regulations require the fluoride levels in the treated water to be maintained within a range of 0.6 - 1.2 mg/L with an optimum dose of 0.7 mg/L. (b) MCL is based on Gross Alpha minus Uranium. (c) DDW considers 50 pCi/L to be the level of concern for beta particles. (d) Manganese is a regulated contaminant but was not detected in routine samples associated with regulatory compliance and is below all regulatory standards. (e) See the Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) section under Laboratory Analyses.

ND = Not Detected CaCO3 = Calcium Carbonate

## **Laboratory Analyses**

Through the years, we have taken thousands of water samples to determine the presence of any radioactive, biological, inorganic, volatile organic, or synthetic organic contaminants in your drinking water. The table we provide shows only detected contaminants in the water.

Even though all of the substances listed here are under the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL), we feel it is important that you know exactly what was detected and how much of these substances were present in your water. Compliance (unless otherwise noted) is based on the average level of concentration below the MCL. The state allows us to monitor for some contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations do not change frequently. Some of our data, while representative, is more than a year old.

**Chloramination** — The water purchased by GSWC from the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD) contains chloramine. Chloramine is added to the water for public health protection. Chloraminated water is safe for people and animals to drink, and for all other general uses. Three special user groups, including kidney dialysis patients, aquarium owners, and businesses or industries that use water in their treatment process, must remove chloramine from the water prior to use.

Hospitals or dialysis centers should be aware of chloramine in the water and should install proper chloramine removal equipment, such as dual carbon adsorption units. Aquarium owners can use readily available products to remove or neutralize chloramine. Businesses and industries that use water in any manufacturing process or for food or beverage preparation should contact their water treatment equipment supplier regarding specific equipment needs.

Fluoridation — GSWC began adding fluoride to its treated water supply in March 2013. Fluoride has been added to the water that GSWC purchases from Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD) since November 2007. Customers should see no difference in the taste, color or odor of their water as a result of fluoridation. Fluoridation does not change the way you normally use water for fish, pets or cooking. Parents and guardians of children who receive fluoride supplements should consult the child's doctor or dentist. For information regarding fluoridation of your water, please visit the Division of Drinking Water's fluoridation website at https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking\_water/certlic/drinkingwater/Fluoridation.html.

**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. GSWC 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 two minutes before

using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information about lead in drinking water, testing methods and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the USEPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1.800.426.4791 or at http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.

Golden State Water has completed the initial lead service line inventory required by the USEPA's Lead and Copper Rule Revisions. Through a thorough review of historical records and initial field investigations, GSWC has determined that its distribution systems do not have lead or galvanized service lines that require replacement. This includes any customer-owned service lines. For more information, please visit <a href="https://www.gswater.com/service-material-inventory">https://www.gswater.com/service-material-inventory</a>.

**Nitrate** — Nitrate in drinking water at levels above 10 mg/L is a health risk for infants of less than six months of age. Such nitrate levels in drinking water can interfere with the capacity of the infant's blood to carry oxygen, resulting in a serious illness; symptoms include shortness of breath and blueness of the skin. Nitrate levels above 10 mg/L may also affect the ability of the blood to carry oxygen in other individuals, such as pregnant women and those with certain specific enzyme deficiencies. If you are caring for an infant, or you are pregnant, you should ask for advice from your health care provider.

#### Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) —

Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) are a group of man-made chemicals that include Perfluorooctanoic Acid (PFOA), Perfluorooctane Sulfonate (PFOS), Perfluorobutane Sulfonic Acid (PFBS), Perfluorohexane Sulfonic Acid (PFHxS), Perfluorononanoic Acid (PFNA), and Hexafluoropropylene Oxide-Dimer Acid (HFPO-DA or Gen X).

While consumer products and food are a large source of exposure to these chemicals for most people, drinking water can be an additional source in the communities where these chemicals have infiltrated water supplies. Such contamination is typically localized and associated with a specific facility, including near groundwater recharge facilities where recycled wastewater is used; industrial facilities where these chemicals were produced or used to manufacture other products; an airfield at which they were used for firefighting; or wastewater treatment plants or landfills where products containing the chemicals were disposed of.

On April 10, 2024, the USEPA announced the final rule that sets the MCLs that range from 4 ppt to 10 ppt for six PFAS compounds: PFOA, PFOS, PFBS, PFNA, PFHxS, and HFPO-DA. In addition, the regulation also establishes a hazard index for PFAS mixtures. Public water systems are required to reduce PFAS levels below the MCL starting April 26, 2029.

**Turbidity** — Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of the water. It is monitored because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of surface water filtration.

**Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring** — Monitoring for unregulated contaminants helps the USEPA and the State Water Resources Control Board to determine where certain contaminants occur and whether the contaminants need to be regulated.

Norwalk Water System – Distribution Water Quality										
Disinfection Byproducts and Disinfectant Residuals (units)	Primary MCL (MRDL)	PHG (MRDLG)	Range of Detection	Average Level	Most Recent Sampling Date	Typical Source of Constitu	Typical Source of Constituent			
Bromate (μg/L)	10	0.1	ND - 9.2	3.1	2024	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection				
Chlorine [as Cl2] (mg/L)	(4.0)	(4)	0.1 - 3.3	1.5	2024	Drinking water disinfectant added for treatment				
HAA5 [Sum of 5 Haloacetic Acids] (µg/L)	60	n/a	1.5 - 8.0	16	2024	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection				
TTHMs [Total Trihalomethanes] (μg/L)	80	n/a	14 - 34	38	2024	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection				
Inorganic Constituents (units)	Action Level	PHG (MCLG)	Sample Data	90th % Level	Most Recent Sampling Date	Typical Source of Constituent				
Copper (mg/L)	1.3	0.3	None of the 31 samples collected exceeded the action level.	0.24	2022	Internal corrosion of household plumbing systems; endeposits; leaching from wood preservatives				
Lead sampling in schools and residential plumbing	Action Level	PHG	Sample ata	90th % Level	Most Recent Sampling Date	Typical Source of Constituent	Number of Schools Tested (f)			
Lead (µg/L)	15	0.2	None of the 31 samples collected exceeded the action level.	ND	2022	Internal corrosion of household water plumbing systems; discharges from industrial manufacturers; erosion of natural deposits.	11			

(f) The State of California made lead sampling in schools mandatory with a compliance window through 2019. This table includes data only on constituents that were detected.

ND = Not Detected



## **Risk to Tap and Bottled Water**

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain 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 USEPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1.800.426.4791.

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the layers in the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, which can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animal or human activity.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the USEPA and the State Water Resources Control Board prescribe regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration regulations and California law also establish limits for contaminants in bottled water that provide the same protection for public health.

#### **Contaminants in Drinking Water Sources May 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, and farming
- Pesticides and herbicides that may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff and residential uses
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are byproducts of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff and septic systems
- Radioactive contaminants that can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities

## For People with Sensitive Immune Systems

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immunocompromised people, such as those individuals with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, those who have undergone organ transplants, those with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly populations, and infants, can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice from their health care providers.

The USEPA and Centers for Disease Control issue guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants.

To obtain a copy of these guidelines, please call the USEPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at **1.800.426.4791**.

For additional information, please contact our 24-hour Customer Service Center at **1.800.999.4033** or email us at **customerservice@gswater.com**.

## **Cross Connection Control Program**

GSWC's Cross Connection Control Program provides a level of certainty that the water in the company's distribution system is protected from possible backflow of contaminated water from customers' premises. For additional information and how to learn how to prevent cross-connections at your home, visit https://www.gswater.com/protecting-our-drinking-water/.



## **Flushing**

Hydrant flushing is an essential maintenance procedure that all water providers must perform periodically to ensure the water delivered to customers meets state and federal drinking water standards. GSWC is using NO-DES (Neutral Output-Discharge Elimination System) flushing in several of our service areas to help flush our distribution systems sustainably.

Traditional hydrant flushing discharges hundreds of thousands of gallons of water onto the street. GSWC's NO-DES trucks and trailers offer a new maintenance technology, connecting two hydrants to a complex filtration system which cleans the water and returns it to the distribution system.

For more information about hydrant flushing, visit <a href="http://www.gswater.com/flushing">http://www.gswater.com/flushing</a>.

### If You Have Questions - Contact Us



For information about your water quality or to find out about upcoming opportunities to participate in public meetings, please contact our 24-hour Customer Service Center at 1.800.999.4033. Visit us online at www.gswater.com or email us at customerservice@gswater.com.

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua de beber. Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien. Báo cáo này chứa thông tin quan trọng về nước uống của quý vị. Xin nhờ người dịch cho quý vị.

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此份有关你的食水报告,内有重要资料和讯息,请找他人为你翻译及解释清楚。

이 안내는 매우 중요합니다. 본인을 위해 번역인을 사용하십시요.

#### Connect with us to learn more!

Visit www.gswater.com to:

- ♦ Access the latest Water Quality Report for your area
- Get the latest updates and news regarding water supply and state/local restrictions
- Learn more about water-use efficiency, including programs and rebates in your area
- Understand your water bill and learn about payment options
- Obtain information about programs for low-income customers (Customer Assistance Program or CAP)
- Sign up to receive email updates about your water service



#### **Infrastructure Investments**

At GSWC, we believe access to clean and reliable drinking water is a fundamental right for all Californians. Our customers should never think twice about the quality of water coming from their taps. To fulfill this commitment, we continue to invest in water infrastructure essential to treating and delivering sustainable, long-term value for our customers.

Since 2019, GSWC has invested more than \$894 million in water infrastructure projects essential to providing quality, reliable water to over 1 million Californians in 81 communities. In 2024, GSWC invested more than \$210 million in water treatment facilities, water storage and distribution systems. GSWC continues to invest in its water system, which now includes approximately 2,869 miles of pipeline, 81,073 valves and 27,118 fire hydrants. These proactive investments in local infrastructure avoid the costly and sometimes dangerous effects of deferring maintenance or delaying the replacement of aged infrastructure.

Customers interested in learning more about current and completed infrastructure projects in their service areas are encouraged to visit their service area's webpage at www.gswater.com/your-service-area.

## **Conserving for California**

After years of severe drought, California's water supply has improved for many parts of the state. GSWC customers did a tremendous job reducing water use during the last drought, and most have continued those water-efficient practices and made conservation a way of life. GSWC is proud to be your partner in conservation, offering tips and programs to help you manage your water use and control your bill. To learn more about conservation programs and rebates in your area, please visit www.gswater.com/conservation or call 1.800.999.4033.



A drought-tolerant garden.