



Contaminated Water Advisory

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In January 2016, the City of Fresno Department of Public Utilities received reports of discolored water in Northeast Fresno with possible lead contamination in the water. The United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and the State Water Resources Control Board have established an Action Level standard for concentrations of 15 parts-per-billion of lead per liter of water. So far 279 homes, and 838 fixtures, have been sampled at least once. Of those 279 homes, 41 homes have water quality test reports showing lead above the action level of an indoor fixture.

During the week of July 4th, the City of Fresno mailed 45,397 post cards to residents in the following zip codes: 93650, 93704, 93710, 93711, 93720, 93722, and 93730. The City is not representing that the lead contamination issue is limited to these 7 zip codes. As of July 26, 2016, there were 833 responses to the online survey and 791 of those responses indicated discoloration in one or more faucets. There are also 982 phone and email responses collected that have not been reported as of July 26th, 2016.

Despite the City's best efforts to reduce the corrosiveness of the City's groundwater and surface water supplies to reduce the potential for lead to corrode from residential plumbing systems and fixtures, corrosion of plumbing systems and fixtures can be caused by other factors that can result in lead levels above the federal and state Action Level. Some factors that can lead to or accelerate corrosion of residential plumbing include but are not limited to: insufficient galvanized coating, improper installation of copper fittings and fixtures directly to galvanized pipe, the presence of corrosive soils, grounding of residential electrical system to residential plumbing system, use of water softening systems, the presence of higher temperature water.

If you suspect there is lead in the water of a residence you are looking to purchase, it is recommended that water tests are conducted during the due diligence period of escrow.

For more information, contact the State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water, at (559) 447-3300 or www.certifiednhd.com/lead.

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Subject: Ft. Washington and NE area - lead in water disclosure

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Please read the below news report on homes located in the Fort Washington Country Club area including but not limited to homes within the boundaries of Hwy 41 and Willow (to the East and West) and Alluvial to Copper (North and South).

This shall be disclosed to all buyers within and near this area and please share with your sellers as well. We have been told by the City that homeowners in this area have received a notification letter from the City which the sellers must provide to all buyers within the disclosure period.

We are adding this to the Disclosure Responsibility Addendum and will let you know when the revision is complete.

Thank you and please see your manager with any questions!

Patrick

By Gene Haagenon

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FRESNO, Calif. (KFSN) --

Residents of a Northeast Fresno neighborhood are worried after tests revealed high levels of lead in their water. The city believes the problem is sub-standard pipes. But residents wonder if it's the city's water that is causing the problem.

Residents of this neighborhood near the Ft. Washington Country Club have been frustrated because they often get rusty colored water out of their faucets. Friday,

the water ran clear, but test results from the city have determined high levels of lead in the water. Karen Micheli is concerned.

"We do have young grandchildren so I'm concerned a little bit that, okay, were they drinking lead while they were here. I don't know."

The city of Fresno's test have detected lead levels nearly eight times the safe level in some faucets in Karen's house. The city said the water coming into the house is clean, and blames the inside plumbing. Something Karen doesn't dispute.

"Oh, it's coming from the galvanized pipe, there's no question that the lead is coming from the galvanized pipe. The question is to me is why?"

So far the city has tested 110 homes and found that 27 had high levels of lead coming out of their faucets. City water director Thomas Esqueda believes developers used substandard pipes, not properly lined with zinc, and they are now corroding and releasing lead into the plumbing. So far the city has tested pipes from three homes.

"That pipe tested below standard zinc coating, I can tell you for those three pipes, they didn't meet the standard. Now can I apply that universally, no, I can't-- but I am three for three for the pipe samples given me," said Esqueda.

But, the homes built by different developers are spread throughout Northeast Fresno in an area bounded by Copper on the north, highway 41 on the west, Willow Avenue on the east, and Alluvial to the south. The same area served by the surface water treatment plant.

"The question is what is causing the corrosion to the galvanized pipe to release the lead into our drinking water," said Micheli.

Esqueda said the city uses an anti-corrosive substance in its water, as required by the EPA.

One big question is how many homes are affected. If it's the pipes, were building codes violated? There are 15,000 potentially affected homes in the area. Only 110 have been tested, and a quarter of those had lead in the water.

Concerned residents can contact the city public utilities department.



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