**ALAMO SEWER AND WATER GID**

**Consumer Confidence Report – 2025**

**Covering Calendar Year – 2024**

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This brochure is a snapshot of the quality of the water that we provided last year. Included are the details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and state standards. We are committed to providing you with information because informed customers are our best allies. It is important that customers be aware of the efforts that are continually being made to improve their water systems. To learn more, please attend any of the regularly scheduled meetings.

## For more information please contact Trevor Laird at 775-725-3377.

Your water comes from: Sandhill Well Ground Water

 Industrial Park Well Treated Ground Water

We treat your water to remove several contaminants and we add disinfectant to protect you against microbial contaminants. The Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) requires states to develop a Source Water Assessment (SWA) for each public water supply that treats and distributes raw source water in order to identify potential contamination sources. The state has completed an assessment of our source water. For results of the source water assessment, please contact us.

**Message from EPA**

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons, such as those with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system 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. EPA/CDC 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).

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 EPA’s Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426- 4791).

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) included rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and 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 before we treat it include:

*Microbial contaminants*, such as viruses and bacteria, may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.

*Inorganic contaminants*, such as salts and metals, can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming.

*Pesticides and herbicides* may come from a variety of sources such as storm water run-off, agriculture, and residential users.

*Radioactive contaminants*, can be naturally occurring or the result of mining activity

*Organic contaminants*, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, may also come from gas stations, urban storm water run-off, and septic systems.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulation which limits the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. We treat our water according to EPA’s regulations. Food and Drug Administration regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health.

Our water system tested a minimum of 1 sample(s) per month in accordance with the Total Coliform Rule for microbiological contaminants. Coliform bacteria are usually harmless, but their presences in water can be an indication of disease-causing bacteria. When coliform bacteria are found, special follow-up tests are done to determine if harmful bacteria are present in the water supply. If this limit is exceeded, the water supplier must notify the public by newspaper, television or radio.

## Water Quality Data

****The tables following below list all of the drinking water contaminants that were detected during the 2024 calendar year. The presence of these contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. Unless noted, the data presented in this table is from testing done January 1- December 31, 2024. The state requires 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. Some of the data, though representative of the water quality, is more than one year old. **The bottom line is that the water that is provided to you is safe.**

## Terms & Abbreviations

**Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG):** the “Goal” is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which

there is no known or expected risk to human health. MCLG’s allow for a margin of safety.

**Maximum Contaminant Level ():** the “Maximum Allowed” is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in

drinking water. ’s are set as close to the MCLG’s as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

**Action Level ():** the concentration of a contaminant that, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system must follow.

**Treatment Technique (TT):** a treatment technique is a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

**Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL):** 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.

**Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG):** the level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLG’s do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

**Non-Detects (ND):** laboratory analysis indicates that the constituent is not present.

**Parts per Million (ppm)** or milligrams per liter (mg/l)

**Parts per Billion (ppb)** or micrograms per liter (µg/l)

**Picocuries per Liter (pCi/L):** picocuries per liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water.

**Millirems per Year (mrem/yr):** measure of radiation absorbed by the body.

**Million Fibers per Liter (MFL):** million fibers per liter is a measure of the presence of asbestos fibers that are longer than 10 micrometers.

**Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU):** nephelometric turbidity unit is a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity in

excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person.

**Testing Results for ALAMO SEWER AND WATER GID**

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| Microbiological | Result | MCL | MCLG | Typical Source |
| COLIFORM (TCR) | In the month of July, 1 sample(s) returned as positive | Treatment Technique Trigger | 0 | Naturally present in the environment |

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| Disinfection Byproducts | Monitoring Period | RAA | Range | Unit | MCL | MCLG | Typical Source |

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| Lead and Copper | Date | 90THPercentile | Range(low - high) | Unit | AL | Sites Over AL | Typical Source |
| COPPER, FREE | 9/11/2024 | 0.11 | 0 - 0.14 | ppm | 1.3 | 0 | Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives |
| LEAD | 9/11/2024 | 0 | 0 - 1.2 | ppb | 15 | 0 | Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits |

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| Regulated Contaminants | Collection Date | Highest Value | Range | Unit | MCL | MCLG | Typical Source |
| ARSENIC | 7/10/2024 | 14 | 0 - 14 | ppb | 10 | 0 | Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes |
| BARIUM | 9/27/2021 | 0.11 | 0.11 | ppm | 2 | 2 | Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits |
| FLUORIDE | 8/14/2024 | 1.1 | 0 - 1.1 | ppm | 2 | 4 | Natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth. |
| NITRATE | 8/14/2024 | 0.37 | 0 - 0.37 | ppm | 10 | 10 | Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits |

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| Radionuclides | Collection Date | Highest Value | Range | Unit | MCL | MCLG | Typical Source |
| COMBINED URANIUM | 10/24/2024 | 26 | 13 - 26 | µg/L | 30 | 0 | Erosion of natural deposits |

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| Secondary Contaminants | Collection Date | Highest Value | Range | Unit | SMCL | MCLG | Typical Source |

# There are no additional required health effects notices.

**Your water meets the EPA's standard for Lead**. There is no safe level of lead in drinking water. Exposure to lead in drinking water can cause serious health effects in all age groups, especially pregnant people, infants (both formula-fed and breastfed), and young children. Some of the health effects to infants and children include decreases in IQ and attention span. Lead exposure can also result in new or worsened learning and behavior problems. The children of persons who are exposed to lead before or during pregnancy may be at increased risk of these harmful health effects. Adults have increased risks of heart disease, high blood pressure, kidney or nervous system problems. Contact your health care provider for more information about your risks.



# There are no additional required health effects violation notices.

ASSESSMENT\_LANG 3100: Coliforms are bacteria that are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentially harmful waterborne pathogens may be present, or that a potential pathway exists through which contamination may enter the drinking water distribution system. We found coliforms, indicating the need to look for potential problems in water treatment or distribution. When this occurs, we are required to conduct assessment(s) to identify and correct any problems that were found during these assessments.

LEVEL1\_TAG: During the past year we were required to conduct 1 Level 1 assessment(s). 1 Level 1 assessment(s) were completed. In addition, we were required to take 1 corrective actions; completed 1 of these actions.