# 2016 Water Quality Report

This report contains important information regarding the water quality in our water system. The source of our water is groundwater. All of the water is purchased. Purchased water comes from Estherville Water Treatment Plant.

## Our water quality testing shows the following results:

CONTAMINANT	MCL - (MCLG)		Compliance		Data	Violation					
			Type	Value & (Range)	Date	Yes/No	Source				
Copper (ppm)	AL=1.3	(1.3)	90th	0.125 (0.0440 - 0.1261)	2016	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives				
Lead (ppb)	AL=15	(0)	90th	10.00 (1 - 13)	2016	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits				
Total Trihalomethanes (ppb) [TTHM]	80	(N/A)	LRAA	61.00 (61 - 61)	8/3/2016	No	By-products of drinking water chlorination				
Total Haloacetic Acids (ppb) [HAA5]	60	(N/A)	LRAA	15.00 (15 - 15)	8/3/2016	No	By-products of drinking water disinfection				
DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM											
Chlorine (ppm)	MRDL=4.0 (MRDLG=4.0)		RAA	1.0 (0.5 - 1.4)	12/31/2016	No	Water additive used to control microbes				

Contaminates with dates indicate results from the most recent testing done in accordance with regulations. Definitions for the abbreviations are noted on Page 2

This water supply obtains some or all of its water from another public water supply. It is a consecutive water supply, where an originating parent supply provides drinking water to one or more downstream supplies.

Original Supply ID Original Supply Name

IA3218024 Estherville Water Treatment Plant

Our water system purchases water from the system shown below.

### Their water quality testing shows the following results:

CONTAMINANT	MCL - (MCLG)		Compliance		Doto	Violation	Course
			Туре	Value & (Range)	Date	Yes/No	Source
Fluoride (ppm)	4	(4)	SGL	0.85 (0.67 - 0.98)	2016	No	Water additive which promotes
							strong teeth; Erosion of natural
							deposits; Discharge from fertilizer
							and aluminum factories
Sodium (ppm)	N/A	(N/A)	SGL	440	1/12/2016	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Added
							to water during treatment process
Nitrate [as N] (ppm)	10	(10)	SGL	1.6	2016	No	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching
							from septic tanks; sewage; Erosion of
							natural deposits

Gruver is pleased to present to our customers quality water that meets and exceeds all federal and state requirements.

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# Gruver is pleased to present the Water Quality Report, designed to inform you about the quality of water and services we deliver.

**GENERAL INFORMATION** - 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 posed a health risk. More information about contaminants or potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

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 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).

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. Iowa Lakes Regional Water - Gruver 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 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 http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.

For questions regarding this information or how you can get involved in decisions regarding the water system, please contact Iowa Lakes Regional Water-Gruver.

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#### **DEFINITIONS**

MCL (Maximum Contaminant Level)-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.

MCLG (Maximum Contaminant Level Goal)-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.

ppb-parts per billion

ppm-parts per million

pCi/L-picocuries per liter

N/A-Not applicable

ND-Not detected

**RAA**-Running Annual Average

LRAA-Locational Running Annual Average

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

**AL** (Action Level)-The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements, which a water system must follow.

MRDLG (Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal)-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.

MRDL (Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level)-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.

**SGL**-Single Sample Result

TCR-Total Coliform Rule