





The City of Coconut Creek is committed to delivering the best quality drinking water possible. We remain vigilant in meeting the challenges of new regulations, source water protection, water conservation, and community outreach and education while continuing to serve the needs of our water customers. Thank you for allowing us to continue providing you and your family with quality drinking water. Well-informed customers are our best allies.

#### **COCONUT CREEK CITY COMMISSION**



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#### A MESSAGE TO OUR RESIDENTS

We encourage residents to attend our monthly Commission meetings held on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month at 7PM in the City Commission Chambers located at 4800 West Copans Road.

#### **Definitions**

**AL** - *Action Level* is the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system must follow.

MCLG - Maximum Contaminant Level Goal is 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.

MCL - Maximum Contaminant Level is 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.

MRDL - *Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level* is the highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that additions of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

MRDLG - Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal is the level of drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRLDGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

**pCi/L** - picocuries per liter, used to measure radioactivity

**ug/L** - Micrograms per liter or parts per billion (PPB)

**PPB** - *Parts Per Billion*, one part by weight of analyte to one billion parts by weight of the water sample.

**PPM** - *Parts Per Million*, one part by weight of analyte to one million parts by weight of the water sample.

N/A - Not Applicable

**ND** - Not Detected

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

**Level 1 Assessment** - Is defined as an evaluation to identify the possible presence of sanitary defects, defects in distribution system coliform monitoring practices, and the likely reason that the system triggered the assessment.

## Results

The table shows the results of our monitoring for the period of January 1 to December 31, 2020 and includes test results in earlier years for contaminants sampled less than once a year. Test results are for the most recent testing done in accordance with the regulations. The table contains the name of each substance, the highest level allowed by regulations (MCL), the ideal goals for public health (MCLG), the amount detected, the usual sources of such contamination, a key, and reference units of measurement.



#### **Lead In Drinking Water**

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. Coconut Creek 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 the 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 https://www.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water/basic-information-about-lead-drinking-water.

#### **Immuno-compromised Persons**

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 provider.

EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline 800-426-4791

# Test Results

#### **Microbiological Contaminants**

CONTAMINANT	SAMPLING DATE	TT VIOLATION	RESULT-MONTH PERCENTAGE (%)	MCLG	MCL	LIKELY SOURCE OF CONTAMINATION
Total Coliform Bacteria	Jan - Dec 2020	No	Negative	N/A	TT	Naturally present in the environment

#### **Inorganic Contaminants**

CONTAMINANT	UNIT OF MEASURE	SAMPLING DATE	MCL VIOLATION	LEVEL DETECT- ED	RANGE OF RESULTS	MCLG	MCL	LIKELY SOURCE OF CONTAMINATION
Arsenic	(PPB)	May 2020	No	0.32	N/A	0	10	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; runoff from glass and electronics production wastes.
Barium	(PPM)	May 2020	No	0.007	N/A	2	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits.
Fluoride	(PPM)	May 2020	No	0.732	N/A	4	4	Erosion of natural deposits; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories. Water additive which promotes strong teeth when at the optimum level of 0.7 PPM
Nitrate (as Nitrogen)	(PPM)	May 2020	No	0.329	N/A	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Selenium	(PPB)	May 2020	No	0.44	N/A	50	50	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits; discharge from mines.
Sodium	(PPM)	May 2020	No	40.2	N/A	NA	160	Salt water intrusion, leaching from soil.

#### **Disinfectants and Disinfection By-products**

CONTAMINANT	UNIT OF MEASURE	SAMPLING DATE	MCL OR MRDL VIOLATION	LEVEL DETECTED	RANGE OF RESULTS	MCLG OR MRDLG	MCL OR MRDL	LIKELY SOURCE OF CONTAMINATION		
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	(PPB)	Quarterly 2020	No	32.50	25 - 42	N/A	80	By-product of drinking water disinfection		
Chloramines	(PPM)	Monthly 2020	No	2.26	1.52 - 3.56	MRDLG - 4	MRDL - 4.0	Water additive used to control microbes		
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	(PPB)	Quarterly 2020	No	22.00	14 - 22	N/A	60	By-product of drinking water disinfection		

#### **Lead and Copper (Tap Water)**

CONTAMINANTS AT THE TAP	UNIT OF MEASURE	SAMPLING DATE	AL EXCEEDED	90TH PERCENTILE RESULT	SAMPLING SITES EXCEEDING AL	MCLG	AL	LIKELY SOURCE OF CONTAMINATION
Lead	(PPB)	June 2020	No	7.10	0	0	15	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits.
Copper	(PPM)	June 2020	No	0.0837	0	1.3	1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives.

#### **Radioactive Contaminants**

CONTAMINANT	UNIT OF MEASURE	SAMPLING DATE	MCL VIOLATION	LEVEL DETECTED	RANGE OF RESULTS	MCLG	MCL	LIKELY SOURCE OF CONTAMINATION
Combined Uranium	(ug/L)	05/14	No	0.028	N/A	0	30	Erosion of natural deposits
Radium – 226	(pCi/L)	05/14	No	0.30	N/A	0	5	Erosion of natural deposits

## How does your water system work?

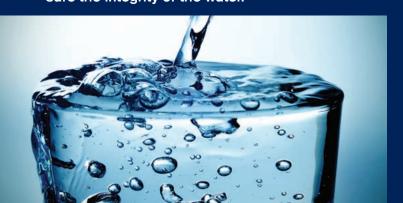


Coconut Creek gets its water from Broward County wells that draw from the Biscayne Aquifer which is an underground water supply. Groundwater is withdrawn from the Biscayne Aquifer via wells and then pumped to Broward County's District 2A Water Treatment Plant. The raw water is treated to reduce hardness, filtered, and then disinfected with chloramines to destroy harmful bacteria. Fluoride is then added to the finished water to promote dental health.

#### Your Water Is Safe to Drink

The City of Coconut Creek is pleased to provide you with the 2020 Annual Water Quality Report. This report is a snapshot of the City's water quality in 2020. As in years past, your tap water met all requirements of the Safe Drinking Water Act as established by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Included are details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to EPA standards.

The City of Coconut Creek purchases treated water from Broward County's District 2A Water Treatment Plant located in Pompano Beach. This plant, like all other water plants in the County, must adhere to a number of strict regulations. The water is tested frequently by Broward County and the City of Coconut Creek. Every month, City utility workers regularly collect water samples from 60 locations within the service area, which includes parts of the City of Parkland. Independent labs test the samples to ensure the integrity of the water.

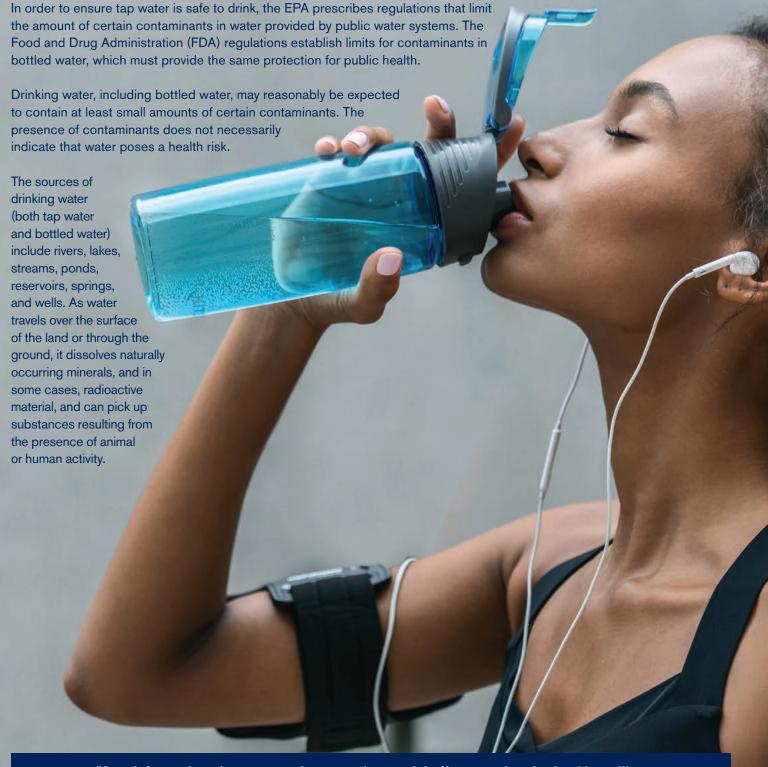


#### Source Water Assessment

In 2020, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) performed a Source Water Assessment (SWA) for Broward County. The assessment was conducted to provide information about any potential sources of contamination. The results are available on the FDEP Source Water Assessment and Protection website at https://fldep.dep. state.fl.us/swapp or they can be obtained from Broward County by calling 954-831-3250.



# About Your Water POSSIBLE CONTAMINANTS



More information about contaminants and potential effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791. **epa.gov/sdwa** 

# Contaminants that may be present in source water include

#### **Microbial**

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

#### Inorganic

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, or farming.

### Pesticides & Herbicides

Pesticides and herbicides which may come from a variety of sources, such as agricultural, urban stormwater runoff, and residential use.

## Radioactive

Radioactive contaminants which can be naturally occurring or be a result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

#### **Organic Chemical**

Organic chemical contaminants including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.





To view the 2020 Annual Water Quality Report, visit: www.CoconutCreek.net/2020WaterReport

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U.S. EPA

Safe Drinking Water Hotline 800 - 426 - 4791

