



## NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

#### TOWN OF FOUR OAKS HAS LEVELS OF TTHM ABOVE DRINKING WATER STANDARDS

Our water system recently violated a drinking water standard. Although this incident was not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we did (are doing) to correct this situation.

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. Monitoring results for water samples collected during the annual period beginning July 1, 2022 show that the contaminant concentration from one or more sampling locations in our water system exceeds the standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL), for TOTAL TRIHALOMETHANES (TTHMs). The standard for TOTAL TRIHALOMETHANES is 0.080 mg/L. Over the referenced compliance period, the sample location with the highest average level of TOTAL TRIHALOMETHANES had a concentration of 0.081 mg/L.

#### What should I do?

- There is nothing you need to do. You do not need to boil your water or take other corrective actions. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor. If a situation arises where the water is no longer safe to drink, you will be notified within 24 hours.
- If you have a severely compromised immune system, have an infant, are pregnant, or are elderly, you may be at increased risk and should seek advice from your health care providers about drinking this water.

#### What does this mean?

This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified within 24 hours. TTHMs are four volatile organic chemicals which form when disinfectants react with natural organic material in the water. However, ***some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous system, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.***

#### What is being done?

The Town of Four Oaks is working with Johnston County to switch water sources to help lower TTHM's levels below the MCL. We anticipate water source change will be completed within the next 3 months. The Town will continue to monitor TTHM levels quarterly until the issue is resolved.

***Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.***

For more information, please contact:

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Phone Number 919-963-3112	System Number: NC0351035	System Address (City, State, Zip) Four Oaks, NC 27524

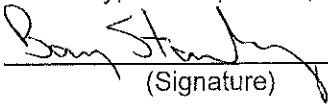
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Barry Stanley  
(Print Name)

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(Date)