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The Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency provides treated surface water as a source of drinking water.

Treatment technique: Conventional

EPA Turbidity Performance Standards: Turbidity of the filtered water must:

1. Be less than or equal to 0.30 NTU in 95% of measurements in a month.
2. Not exceed 1 NTU at any time.

Lowest monthly percentage of samples that met Turbidity Performance Standard No. 1: 100%

Highest single turbidity measurement during the year: 0.24 NTU

Percentage of samples < 0.30 NTU: 100%

The number of violations of any surface water treatment requirements: NONE

Turbidity (measured in NTU) is a measurement of the cloudiness of water and is a good indicator of water quality and filtration performance. Turbidity results which meet performance standards are considered to be in compliance with filtration requirements.

MICROBIOLOGICAL CONTAMINANTS

Type of Sample(s)	Parameter	Sampling Frequency	MCL	No. of Months in Violation	System Results	
					range	average
Distribution *	Total Coliform Bacteria	104-150/ mo	5% positive	none	0 - 0.81%	0.2%
	Fecal Coliform and E. coli	104-150/ mo	1 pos. with 2 TC pos.	none	0%	0%

INORGANIC CHEMICALS - PRIMARY DRINKING WATER STANDARDS

Type of Sample(s)	Parameter	Units	MCL	DLR	PHG or (MCLG)	Treatment Plant Results					
						Acton		Eastside		Quartz Hill	
						range	average	range	average	range	average
Plant Effluent	Aluminum	mg/L	1	0.050	0.6	ND-0.140	ND	ND-0.059	ND	ND-0.110	ND
"	Antimony	ug/L	6	2.0	20				ND		ND
"	Arsenic	ug/L	10	2.0	none				ND		ND
"	Barium	mg/L	1	0.1	(2)				ND		ND
"	Beryllium	ug/L	4	1.0	(4)				ND		ND
"	Cadmium	ug/L	5	1.0	0.07				ND		ND
"	Chromium	ug/L	50	10.0	(100)				ND		ND
"	Copper	mg/L	1	0.05	0.17				ND		ND
"	Cyanide	ug/L	150	100	150				ND		ND
"	Fluoride	mg/L	2	.1	1				ND		ND
"	Lead	ug/L	AL = 15	5.0	2				ND		ND
"	Mercury	ug/L	2	1	1.2				ND		ND
"	Nickel	ug/L	100	10	12				ND		ND
"	Nitrate (as NO3)	mg/L	45	2.0	45				4.0		3.9
"	Nitrite (as N)	mg/L	1	0.4	1				ND		ND
"	Selenium	ug/L	50	5	(50)				ND		ND
"	Thallium	ug/L	2	1	0.1				ND		ND

SYNTHETIC ORGANIC CHEMICALS - including Pesticides and Herbicides

Type of Sample(s)	Parameter	Units	MCL	DLR	System Results	
					range	average
Source Water	Dibromochloropropane (DBCP)	ug/L	.2	0.01	ND	ND
"	Ethylene dibromide (EDB)	ug/L	0.05	0.02	ND	ND
"	Endrin	ug/L	2	.1	ND	ND
"	Lindane (gamma-BHC)	ug/L	0.2	0.2	ND	ND
"	Methoxychlor	ug/L	30	10.0	ND	ND
"	Toxaphene	ug/L	3	1.0	ND	ND
"	Chlordane	ug/L	.1	.1	ND	ND
"	Diethylhexyphthalate (DEHP)	ug/L	4	3.0	ND	ND
"	Heptachlor	ug/L	.01	0.01	ND	ND
"	Heptachlor epoxide	ug/L	.01	0.01	ND	ND
"	Atrazine	ug/L	1	0.5	ND	ND
"	Molinate (Ordram)	ug/L	20	2.0	ND	ND
"	Simazine (Princep)	ug/L	4	1.0	ND	ND
"	Thiobencarb (Bolero)	ug/L	70	1.0	ND	ND
"	Alachlor (Alanex)	ug/L	2	1.0	ND	ND
"	Bentazon (Basagran)	ug/L	18	2.0	ND	ND
"	Benzo(a)pyrene	ug/L	0.2	.1	ND	ND
"	2,4 - D	ug/L	70	10.0	ND	ND
"	2,4,5 - TP	ug/L	50	1.0	ND	ND
"	Carbofuran (Furadan)	ug/L	18	5.0	ND	ND
"	Dalapon (Dowpon)	ug/L	200	10.0	ND	ND
"	Dinoseb (DNBP)	ug/L	7	2.0	ND	ND
"	Di(2-ethylhexyl)adipate	ug/L	400	5.0	ND	ND
"	Glyphosate	ug/L	700	25.0	ND	ND
"	Hexachlorobenzene	ug/L	1	0.5	ND	ND
"	Hexachlorocyclopentadiene	ug/L	50	1.0	ND	ND
"	Oxamyl (Vydate)	ug/L	50	20.0	ND	ND
"	Pentachlorophenol (PCP)	ug/L	1	0.2	ND	ND
"	Pichloram (Tordon)	ug/L	500	1.0	ND	ND
"	Polychlorinated Biphenyls (Tot PCBs)	ug/L	0.5	0.5	ND	ND
"	Aldicarb (Temik)	ug/L		3.0	ND	ND
"	Aldicarb sulfone	ug/L		4.	ND	ND
"	Aldicarb sulfoxide	ug/L		3.0	ND	ND
"	Aldrin	ug/L		.075	ND	ND
"	Bromacil (Hyvar)	ug/L		10.0	ND	ND
"	Butachlor	ug/L		0.38	ND	ND
"	Carbaryl (Sevin)	ug/L		5.0	ND	ND
"	Total DCPA Mono&Diacid Degradate	ug/L		(1,000)	ND	ND
"	Diazinon	ug/L		(0,100)	ND	ND
"	Dicamba (Banvel)	ug/L		1.50	ND	ND
"	Dieldrin	ug/L		0.02	ND	ND
"	Dimethoate (Cygon)	ug/L		0.100	ND	ND

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Type of Sample(s)	SYNTHETIC ORGANIC CHEMICALS continued Parameter	Units	MCL	DLR	System Results	
					range	average
Source Water	3-Hydroxycarbofuran	ug/L		3.0	ND	ND
"	Methomyl	ug/L		2.0	ND	ND
"	Metolachlor	ug/L		(0.050)	ND	ND
"	Metribuzin	ug/L		(0.050)	ND	ND
"	Propachlor	ug/L	0.5	0.5	ND	ND
"	PCB 1016 Aroclor	ug/L		0.5	ND	ND
"	PCB 1221 Aroclor	ug/L		0.5	ND	ND
"	PCB 1232 Aroclor	ug/L		0.5	ND	ND
"	PCB 1242 Aroclor	ug/L		0.5	ND	ND
"	PCB 1248 Aroclor	ug/L		0.5	ND	ND
"	PCB 1254 Aroclor	ug/L		0.5	ND	ND
"	PCB 1260 Aroclor	ug/L		0.5	ND	ND
"	Caffeine	ug/L		(0.020)	ND	ND

VOLATILE ORGANIC CHEMICALS

Type of Sample(s)	Parameter	Units	MCL	DLR	PHG or (MCLG)	System Results	
						range	average
Source Water	Benzene	ug/L	1	0.5	0.15		ND
"	Carbon tetrachloride	ng/L	500	500	100		ND
"	1,2-Dichlorobenzene	ug/L	600	0.5	600		ND
"	1,4-Dichlorobenzene	ug/L	5	0.5	6		ND
"	1,1-Dichloroethane	ug/L	5	0.5	3		ND
"	1,2-Dichloroethane	ng/L	500	500	400		ND
"	1,1-Dichloroethene	ug/L	6	0.5	10		ND
"	cis-1,2-Dichloroethene	ug/L	6	0.5	(70)		ND
"	trans-1,2-Dichloroethene	ug/L	10	0.5	(100)		ND
"	Dichloromethane	ug/L	5	0.5	4		ND
"	1,2-Dichloropropane	ug/L	5	0.5	0.5		ND
"	1,3-Dichloropropene	ng/L	500	500	200		ND
"	Ethyl Benzene	ug/L	300	0.5	300		ND
"	Methyl tert-Butyl Ether (MTBE)	ug/L	5	3.	13		ND
"	Monochlorobenzene	ug/L	70	0.5			ND
"	Styrene	ug/L	100	0.5	(100)		ND
"	1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	ug/L	1	0.5	0.1		ND
"	Tetrachloroethene (PCE)	ug/L	5	0.5	0.06		ND
"	1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene	ug/L	5	0.5	5		ND
"	1,1,1-Trichloroethane	ug/L	200	0.5	(200)		ND
"	1,1,2-Trichloroethane	ug/L	5	0.5	(3)		ND
"	Trichloroethene (TCE)	ug/L	5	0.5	0.8		ND
"	Toluene	ug/L	150	0.5	150		ND
"	Trichlorofluoromethane	ug/L	150	5	700		ND
"	Trichlorotrifluoromethane	mg/L	1.2	0.01	4		ND
"	Vinyl chloride	ng/L	500	500	50		ND
"	Xylenes (total)	mg/L	1,750	0.0005	1,800		ND
"	34 Additional unregulated VOCs analyzed by method 524.2, all results ND.						

DISINFECTION RESIDUAL, PRECURSORS, and BYPRODUCTS

Type of Sample(s)	Parameter	Units	MCL/MRD	DLR	MRDLG	System Results	
						range	average
Distribution	Chlorine (as total Cl ₂)	mg/L	4**		4	0.10 - 1.80	0.86
Treated Water	Total Organic Carbon (TOC)	mg/L	Treatment Requirement	0.50		0.9 - 2.9	1.7#
Source Water	Total Organic Carbon (TOC)	mg/L	Treatment Requirement	0.50		1.4 - 4.3	2.6#
Distribution	Total Trihalomethanes	ug/L	80**	0.5	none	29 - 52 #	52 #
Distribution	Total Haloacetic Acids (5)	ug/L	60**	2		16 - 21 #	16 #

** Disinfectant, Total Trihalomethanes and Haloacetic Acids MCLs are an annual running average of distribution system samples.

The State of California Total Trihalomethanes MCL is 100 ug/L, the EPA MCL is 80 ug/L

The State of California has not adopted a Total Haloacetic Acids MCL, the EPA MCL is 60 ug/L

This average is a system-wide value, please see the attached summaries for site specific averages.

REGULATED CONTAMINANTS with SECONDARY MCLs

Type of Sample(s)	Parameter	Units	MCL	DLR	Treatment Plant Results					
					Acton range	Acton average	Eastside range	Eastside average	Quartz Hill range	Quartz Hill average
Plant Effluent	Aluminum	ug/L	200	50	ND-0.140	ND	ND-0.059	ND	ND-0.110	ND
"	Chloride	mg/L	500				84		79	
"	Color	Units	15				<3 - <5	<5	<3 - <5	<5
"	Copper	mg/L	1.00	0.05						
"	Corrosivity		non-corrosive			***		***		***
"	Foaming Agents (MBAS)	ug/L	500					ND		
"	Iron	ug/L	300	100				ND		
"	Manganese	ug/L	50	20				ND		
"	Odor @ 60 C	Units	3		<1 - 2	<1	<1 - 3	<1	<1 - 2	<1
"	Silver	ug/L	100	10				ND		
"	Sulfate	mg/L	500	0.5				62		60
"	Specific Conductance	umhos	1600					528	326 - 654	492
"	Total Dissolved Solids	mg/L	1000					276		290
"	Turbidity	Units	5		0.01 - 0.17	0.03	0.01 - 0.20	0.03	0.01 - 0.24	0.06
"	Zinc	mg/L	5.0	0.05				0.40		0.26

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ADDITIONAL CONSTITUENTS ANALYZED

Type of Sample(s)	Parameter	Units	MCL	DLR	AL	System Results	
						range	average
Source Water	Total Alkalinity (as CaCO3)	mg/L	no standard			61 - 81	75.3#
Source Water	Nitrate (as NO3)	mg/L	45	2.0			3.8

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Plant Effluent	Parameter	Units	MCL	Treatment Plant Results						
				Acton		Eastside		Quartz Hill		
				range	average	range	average	range	average	
"	Total Alkalinity (as CaCO3)	mg/L	no standard				64			69
"	Bicarbonate Alkalinity(HCO3)	mg/L	no standard				78			84
"	Carbonate Alkalinity	mg/L	no standard				<2.000			<2.000
"	Hydroxide Alkalinity	mg/L	no standard				<2.000			<2.000
"	Carbon Dioxide	mg/L	no standard				10			11
"	Calcium	mg/L	no standard				23			24
"	Magnesium	mg/L	no standard				8.0			8.3
"	pH	Units	no standard	6.7 - 7.6	7.12	6.6 - 7.3	6.92	6.4 - 7.4		6.82
"	Potassium	mg/L	no standard				2.6			2.3
"	Sodium	mg/L	no standard				64			63
"	Total Hardness (as CaCO3)	mg/L	no standard				90			94
"	Total Organic Carbon (TOC)	mg/L	Treatment Requirement	1.0 - 2.9	1.9	0.88 - 2.6	1.7	0.9 - 2.6		1.6

DEFINITIONS and FOOTNOTES:

Source Water is the California Aqueduct.

Units: mg/L = milligrams per liter, parts per million (ppm)
 ug/L = micrograms per liter, parts per billion (ppb)
 ng/L = nanograms per liter, parts per trillion (ppt)
 pg/L = picograms per liter, parts per quadrillion (ppq)
 umhos = micromhos, a measure of specific conductance
 MFL = million fibers per liter
 pCi/L = pico Curies per liter

< = less than

> = greater than

ND = none detected above the DLR

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.

MCL: Maximum Contaminant Level. The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set by the US Environmental Protection Agency or the California Department of Public Health as close to the PHGs and MCLGs as is economically or technologically feasible.

MRDL: Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level. The level of a disinfectant added for water treatment that may not be exceeded at the consumer's tap.

DLR: Detection Limit for purposes of Reporting.

(DL): Detection limit determined by the Laboratory when no DLR has been established.

MCLG: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health.

MCLGs are set by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

MRDLG: Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal. The level of a disinfectant added for water treatment below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs are set by the US Environmental Protection Agency.

PHG Public Health Goal: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. PHGs are set by the California Environmental Protection Agency.

Primary Drinking Water Standard: Primary MCLs, specific treatment techniques adopted in lieu of primary MCLs, and monitoring and reporting requirements for MCLs that are specified in regulations.

Secondary Standards: Aesthetic standards established by the California Department of Public Health.

AL: Action Level. There is no MCL, if this level is exceeded, action is required by the California Department of Public Health.

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** Total Trihalomethanes and Haloacetic Acids(5) MCLs an annual running average of distribution system samples.

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*** A corrosion inhibitor is added to the treated water before entry into the distribution system

All analyses performed by the ELAP certified laboratories: AVEK Water Agency, BSK, MWH or Truesdail Laboratories.