

# 2021 Consumer Confidence Report

Water System Name: Tahoe Timber Trails

Report Date: 6/4/2022

*We test the drinking water quality for many constituents as required by state and federal regulations. **This report shows the results of our monitoring for the period of January 1 to December 31, 2021 and may include earlier monitoring data.***

**Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua para beber. Favor de comunicarse [Tahoe Timber Trails] a [530-587-4023] para asistirlo en español.**

这份报告含有关于您的饮用水的重要讯息。请用以下地址和电话联系 [Tahoe Timber Trails] 以获得中文的帮助:[16021 Hobart Mills Rd., Truckee CA 96161][530-587-4023]

**Ang pag-uulat na ito ay naglalaman ng mahalagang impormasyon tungkol sa inyong inuming tubig. Mangyaring makipag-ugnayan sa [Tahoe Timber Trails, 16021 Hobart Mills Rd., Truckee CA 96161] o tumawag sa [530-587-4023] para matulungan sa wikang Tagalog.**

**Báo cáo này chứa thông tin quan trọng về nước uống của bạn. Xin vui lòng liên hệ [Tahoe Timber Trails] tại [530-587-4023] để được hỗ trợ giúp bằng tiếng Việt.**

**Tsab ntawv no muaj cov ntsiab lus tseem ceeb txog koj cov dej haus. Thov hu rau [Tahoe Timber Trails] ntawm [530-587-4023] rau kev pab hauv lus Askiv.**

Type of water source(s) in use: 2 Groundwater Wells (and the water system is unchlorinated)

Name & general location of source(s): Well 1 and Well 2 are both within the Tahoe Timber Trails Association, west of the main entrance and office, on Tahoe Timber Trails Road.

Drinking Water Source Assessment information: An assessment was performed in 2002. Please contact Nevada County Environmental Health at 530-265-1222 for a copy of the assessment.

Time and place of regularly scheduled board meetings for public participation: Monthly meetings, typically held the third Saturday at 10:00 am in the main office (16021 Hobart Mills Rd., Truckee CA 96161).

For more information, contact: Tahoe Timber Trails office Phone: 530-587-4023

## TERMS USED IN THIS REPORT

**Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL):** The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. Primary MCLs are set as close to the PHGs (or MCLGs) as is economically and technologically feasible. Secondary MCLs are set to protect the odor, taste, and appearance of drinking water.

**Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (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 (U.S. EPA).

**Public Health Goal (PHG):** 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.

**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. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

**Primary Drinking Water Standards (PDWS):** MCLs and MRDLs for contaminants that affect health along with their monitoring and reporting requirements, and water treatment requirements.

**Secondary Drinking Water Standards (SDWS):** MCLs for contaminants that affect taste, odor, or appearance of the drinking water. Contaminants with SDWSs do not affect the health at the MCL levels.

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

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

**Variations and Exemptions:** State Board permission to exceed an MCL or not comply with a treatment technique under certain conditions.

**Level 1 Assessment:** A Level 1 assessment is a study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system.

**Level 2 Assessment:** A Level 2 assessment is a very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why an *E. coli* MCL violation has occurred and/or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system on multiple occasions.

**N/A:** not applicable

**ND:** not detectable at testing limit

**ppm:** parts per million or milligrams per liter (mg/L)

**ppb:** parts per billion or micrograms per liter (µg/L)

**ppt:** parts per trillion or nanograms per liter (ng/L)

**ppq:** parts per quadrillion or picogram per liter (pg/L)

**pCi/L:** picocuries per liter (a measure of radiation)

**The sources of drinking water** (both tap water and bottled water) include 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 include:**

- *Microbial contaminants*, such as viruses and bacteria, that may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- *Inorganic contaminants*, such as salts and metals, that can be naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- *Pesticides and herbicides*, that may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses.
- *Organic chemical contaminants*, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, that are byproducts of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, agricultural application, and septic systems.
- *Radioactive contaminants*, that can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

**In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink**, the U.S. EPA and the State Water Resources Control Board (State Board) prescribe regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. State Board regulations also establish limits for contaminants in bottled water that provide the same protection for public health.

**Tables 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 list all of the drinking water contaminants that were detected during the most recent sampling for the constituent.** The presence of these contaminants in the water does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. The State Board allows us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently. Some of the data, though representative of the water quality, are more than one year old. Any violation of an AL, MCL, MRDL, or TT is asterisked. Additional information regarding the violation is provided later in this report.

**TABLE 1 – SAMPLING RESULTS SHOWING THE DETECTION OF COLIFORM BACTERIA**

Microbiological Contaminants	Number of Detections	Violation?	MCL	MCLG	Typical Source of Bacteria
Total Coliform (P/A)	(In any month) 0	no	(a)	0	Naturally present in the environment
E. coli (P/A)	(In the year) 0	no	(a)	0	Human and animal fecal waste

(a) Please note the MCL for Total Coliform and E.coli changed on 7/1/21, when California adopted the Federal Revised Total Coliform Rule. There is no longer an MCL for Total Coliform (the Total Coliform MCL prior to 7/1/21 was “*A routine sample and repeat sample are total coliform positive, and one of these is also fecal coliform or E. coli positive.*”), and the MCL for E.coli changed from 0 to “*Routine and repeat samples are total coliform-positive and either is E. coli-positive or system fails to take repeat samples following an E. coli-positive routine sample or system fails to analyze a total coliform-positive repeat sample for E. coli*”. The revised rule maintains the purpose to protect public health by ensuring the integrity of the drinking water distribution system and monitoring for the presence of microbials (i.e., total coliform and E. coli bacteria). The U.S. EPA anticipates greater public health protection, as the rule requires water systems that are vulnerable to microbial contamination to identify and fix problems. Water systems that exceed a specified frequency of total coliform occurrences are required to conduct an assessment to determine if any sanitary defects exist. If found, these must be corrected by the water system.

**TABLE 2 – SAMPLING RESULTS SHOWING THE DETECTION OF LEAD AND COPPER**

Lead and Copper	Sample Date	No. of Samples Collected	90 <sup>th</sup> Percentile Level Detected	No. Sites Exceeding AL	AL	PHG	No. of Schools Requesting Lead Sampling	Typical Source of Contaminant
Lead (ppb)	8/16/21 and 8/17/21	5	0.95	0	15	0.2	Not applicable	Internal corrosion of household water plumbing systems; discharges from industrial manufacturers; erosion of natural deposits
Copper (ppm)	8/16/21 and 8/17/21	5	0.1145	0	1.3	0.3	Not applicable	Internal corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives

**TABLE 3 – SAMPLING RESULTS FOR SODIUM AND HARDNESS**

Chemical or Constituent (and reporting units)	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections	MCL	PHG (MCLG)	Typical Source of Contaminant
Sodium (ppm)	9/9/86 Well 1	6.8	N/A	None	None	Salt present in the water and is generally naturally occurring
Hardness (ppm)	9/9/86 Well 1	89	N/A	None	None	Sum of polyvalent cations present in the water, generally magnesium and calcium, and are usually naturally occurring

**TABLE 4 – DETECTION OF CONTAMINANTS WITH A PRIMARY DRINKING WATER STANDARD**

Chemical or Constituent (and reporting units)	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections	MCL [MRDL]	PHG (MCLG) [MRDLG]	Typical Source of Contaminant
Gross Alpha Particle Activity (pCi/L)	11/4/20 Well 1	2.62 (+/- 0.952)	N/A	15	(0)	Erosion of natural deposits
Gross Alpha Particle Activity (pCi/L)	11/4/20 Well 2	2.89 (+/- 0.997)	N/A	15	(0)	Erosion of natural deposits
Uranium (pCi/L)	11/4/20 Well 1	0.78	N/A	20	0.43	Erosion of natural deposits
Uranium (pCi/L)	11/4/20 Well 2	0.88	N/A	20	0.43	Erosion of natural deposits
Radium 226 (pCi/L)	11/4/20 Well 1	0.269 (+/- 0.162)	N/A	3	0.05	Erosion of natural deposits
Radium 226 (pCi/L)	11/4/20 Well 2	0.168 (+/- 0.14)	N/A	3	0.05	Erosion of natural deposits
Radium 228 (pCi/L)	11/4/20 Well 1	0	N/A	2	0.019	Erosion of natural deposits
Radium 228 (pCi/L)	11/4/20 Well 2	0.126 (+/- 0.64)	N/A	2	0.019	Erosion of natural deposits
Barium (ppm)	12/8/19 Well 1	0.094	N/A	1.0	2.0	Discharge of oil drilling wastes and from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
Barium (ppm)	12/8/19 Well 2	0.096	N/A	1.0	2.0	Discharge of oil drilling wastes and from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits

**TABLE 5 – DETECTION OF CONTAMINANTS WITH A SECONDARY DRINKING WATER STANDARD**

Chemical or Constituent (and reporting units)	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections	SMCL	PHG (MCLG)	Typical Source of Contaminant
Turbidity (Ntu)	7/26/16 Well 1	0.55	N/A	5	N/A	Soil runoff
Turbidity (Ntu)	7/26/16 Well 2	5.2	N/A	5	N/A	Soil runoff
Color (Units)	7/26/16 Well 1	3	N/A	15	N/A	Natural occurring organic material

**TABLE 6 – DETECTION OF UNREGULATED CONTAMINANTS**

Chemical or Constituent (and reporting units)	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections	Notification Level	Health Effects Language
n/a					

### Additional General Information on Drinking Water

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 the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the U.S. EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

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. U.S. EPA/Centers for Disease Control (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 (1-800-426-4791).

Lead-Specific Language: 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. **Tahoe Timber Trails** 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 do so, you may wish to collect the flushed water and reuse it for another beneficial purpose, such as watering plants. 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 (1-800-426-4791) or at <http://www.epa.gov/lead>.

### Summary Information for Violation of a MCL, MRDL, AL, TT, or Monitoring and Reporting Requirement

VIOLATION OF A MCL, MRDL, AL, TT, OR MONITORING AND REPORTING REQUIREMENT				
Violation	Explanation	Duration	Actions Taken to Correct the Violation	Health Effects Language
No violations in 2021.				