

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

## The Town of Hinton Has Levels of Arsenic Above Drinking Water Standards

Our water system recently violated a drinking water standard. Although this is 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. The table below shows the average amount of arsenic, in water samples from our system, exceeded the standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL), for arsenic. The standard for arsenic is 0.010 mg/L.*

Sample Site	Twelve Month Period	Arsenic Running Annual Average
CL2 Station (Country West #1, #2, #3), CL002	January 2017 to December 2017	0.011 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 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. However, some people who drink water containing arsenic in excess of the MCL over many years could experience skin damage or problems with their circulatory system, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.*

### What is being done?

The Town is working with DEQ and Engineers to install an arsenic removal process. A pilot study is currently in progress.

For more information, please contact the Town of Hinton at (405) 542-3253, or P.O. Box 159, Hinton, OK 73047.

*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.*

This notice is being sent to you by the Town of Hinton (PWSID No. OK2000809).

Signed: Kerby Balmey Date: 02/12/2018