

Village of Creston PWS Finds Lead in Drinking Water Distribution System

In recent results, The Village of Creston PWS detected lead in levels exceeding the federal action level. Samples were collected from July 13, 2022, through July 21, 2022. Lead can cause serious health problems especially for pregnant women and young children.

Our 90th percentile (90% of sample results below this value) for lead was 20 micrograms per liter (ug/L). When the 90th percentile for lead samples exceed 15 ug/L, The Creston PWS is required to take action to correct the exceedance. Creston PWS collected 10 lead samples and 2 results were above 15 ug/L, resulting in a 90th percentile of 20 ug/L.

Lead typically enters water primarily as a result of corrosion, or wearing away, of pipes or materials containing lead in the water distribution system and household plumbing. There are steps the public can take to reduce their lead exposure, which include running water for 30 seconds to 3 minutes (or until noticeably colder) before using it for drinking, cooking, or preparing baby formula. For more information on the health effects of lead, visit EPA's website at www.epa.gov/lead.

The Village of Creston PWS's certified laboratory is Alloway Labs located at 1502 W. Fourth Street, Mansfield, OH 44906. Phone 419-525-1644 and Fax 419-524-5575. You can contact them on the availability of tap water testing.

In addition, do not hesitate to contact Marcus Allen, Operator of Record at 330-621-8300 or email: bopacreston@aoi.com.

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