

# Village of St. Anne

## Annual Water Quality Report

### January 1 to December 31, 2023

This report summarizes the quality of water that we provided last year, including details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to standards set by regulatory agencies. We are committed to providing you with this information because informed customers are our best allies. For more information about this report contact Don Leveque at 815-427-8177.

**Sources of Drinking Water:** The Sources of water (both tap and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and groundwater. 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 animal and human activity.

Our source of water is Ground Water.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

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

**Other Facts about Drinking Water:** Drinking water, including bottled water may reasonably be expected to contain at least some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants can be obtained by calling the USEPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants on water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

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. EPA/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 (800-426-4791).

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**Other Facts about Drinking Water cont.:** 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. We 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 and cooking. 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 or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

To determine St. Anne’s susceptibility to groundwater contamination, the Well Site Survey, published in 1995 by the Illinois EPA was reviewed. During the surveys of St. Anne’s source water protection area, Illinois EPA staff recorded potential sources, routes, or possible problem sites within the 200 foot minimum setback zones and the 1000 foot Phase I Wellhead Protection Area (WHPA). Within the phase I WHPA, eight sits are located in the zone around well #3. The Illinois EPA does not consider the source of water of the facility to be susceptible to VOC or SOC contamination. This susceptibility determination is based on a number of criteria including: monitoring conducted at the wells, monitoring conducted at the entry point to the distribution system, the available hydrogeologic data on the wells, and the land-use activities on the WHPAs of the wells.

**Source Water Assessments:** We want our valued customers to be informed about their water quality. If you would like to learn more, please feel welcome to attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. The source water assessment for our supply has been completed by the Illinois EPA. If you would like a copy of this information, please stop by the Village Hall or call us at 815-427-8177. To view a summary of the completed Source Water Assessments, including Importance of Source Water; Susceptibility to Contamination Determination; and documentation/recommendation of Source Water Protection Efforts, you may access the Illinois EPA website at <http://www.epa.state.il.us/cgi-bin/wp/swap-fact-sheets.pl>

**Definition of terms**

Action Level Goal: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. ALGs allow for a margin of safety

Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

**Lead and Copper**

Lead and Copper	Date Sampled	MCLG	Action Level	90 <sup>th</sup> Percentile	#Sites over AL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contaminant
Copper	2023	1.3	1.3	0.379	0	PPM	N	Erosion of natural deposits: Leaching from wood preservatives: Corrosion of household plumbing systems
Lead	2023	0	15	8.46	1	PPB	N	Corrosion of household plumbing systems. Erosion of natural deposits

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Maximum Contaminant Level Goal or MCLG: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below, which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLG's allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum Contaminant Level or MCL: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCL's are set as close to MCLG's as feasible using the best available treatment technology

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level goal or MRDLG: The level of drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLG's do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

PPB: Micrograms per liter or parts per billion – or one ounce in 7,350,000 gallons of water

NA: Not applicable

Avg: Regulatory compliance with some MCL's are based on annual average of monthly samples.

PPM: milligrams per liter or parts per million – or one ounce in 7,350 gallons of water

***Regulated Contaminants***

Disinfectant and Disinfection By-Products	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contaminant
Chlorine	12/31/2022	1.3	1 – 1.4	MRDLG = 4.0	MRDL = 4	PPM	N	Water additive used to control microbes.
Haloacetic Acids	2022	3	2.5 – 2.5	No goal for the total	60	PPB	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection.

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Inorganic Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contaminant
Arsenic	5/16/2022	3.38	3.38-3.38	0	10	PPB	N	Erosion of natural deposits: Run-off from orchards: Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes
Barium	5/16/2022	0.0341	0.0341-0.0341	2	2	PPM	N	Discharge of drilling wastes: Discharge from metal refineries: Erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride	5/16/2022	0.31	0.31-0.31	4	4.0	PPM	N	Erosion of natural deposits: Water additive which promotes strong teeth: Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Iron	2023	1.5	1.28-1.51		1.0	PPM	Y	This contaminant is not currently regulated by the USEPA. However, the state regulates. Erosion of natural deposits
Manganese	5/16/2022	29.5	16.4 – 29.5	150	150	PPB	N	This contaminant is not currently regulated by the USEPA. However the state regulates. Erosion of natural deposits
Sodium	5/16/2022	40500	40500-40500			PPB	N	Erosion from naturally occurring deposits. Used in water softener regeneration

Radioactive Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contaminant
Gross Alpha Excluding Radon and Uranium	5/16/2022	2.83	2.83 – 2.83	0	15	pCi/L	N	Erosion of natural deposits

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Violations Table

<b>Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)</b>			
Some people who drink water containing PCB's in excess of the MCL over many years have an increased risk of getting cancer.			
<b>Violation Type</b>	<b>Violation Begin</b>	<b>Violation End</b>	<b>Violation Explanation</b>
Monitoring, Routine (DPB), Major	1/1/2023	12/31/2023	We failed to test for the contaminant and period indicated. Because of this failure, we cannot be sure of the quality of our drinking water during this period. Testing has now been completed and the results are within the required parameters.

<b>IRON (State Only)</b>			
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<b>Violation Type</b>	<b>Violation Begin</b>	<b>Violation End</b>	<b>Violation Explanation</b>
Monitoring, Routine, Major	4/1/2023	6/30/2023	We we're aware of our quarterly sample being over the MCL set by the state of Illinois but the lab didn't upload a copy of our confirmation sample results.

<b>Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)</b>			
Some people drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous systems, and may have an increased risk for getting cancer.			
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## Iron MCL Exceedance

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#### The Village of St. Anne Has Levels of Iron Above State Drinking Water Standards

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We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. Testing results for the sampling period of 4/1/23 to 6/30/23 show that our system exceeds the State standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL), for Iron. The standard for Iron is 1.0 milligram per liter (mg/L). The level was 1.5 milligrams per liter.

#### What should I do?

- **You do not need to use an alternative (e.g., bottled) water supply.** However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.

#### What does this mean?

**This is not an immediate risk.** If it had been, you would have been notified immediately.

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#### What happened? What is being done?

We have increased our corrosion control and anticipate resolving the problem within coming days.

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- **You do not need to use an alternative (e.g., bottled) water supply.** However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.

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## Monitoring Violations Annual Notice

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#### Monitoring Requirements Not Met for Village of St. Anne

Our water system violated some drinking water standards over the past year. Even though these were not emergencies as our customers, you have the right to know what happened and what we did to correct these situations

We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. During 2023 we missed sample deadlines for some contaminants and therefore cannot be sure of the quality of our drinking water during that time..

#### What should I do?

**There is nothing you need to do at this time.**

The table below lists the contaminants we did not properly test for during the last year, how often we are supposed to sample for these contaminants, how many samples we are supposed to take, how many samples we took, when samples should have been taken, and the date on which follow-up samples were taken.

Contaminant	Required sampling frequency	Number of samples taken	When all samples should have been taken	When samples were taken
TOTAL TRIHALOMETHANES (TTHMs)		1	1/1/23-12/31/23	2/2/2024
TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5)		1	1/1/23-12/31/23	2/2/2024
TOTAL POLYCHLORINATED BIPHENYLS (PCB)		1	1/1/2020-12/31/2022	1/24/2023

#### What happened? What is being done?

We missed the deadline for these contaminants. As soon as the error was discovered the samples were immediately taken and shipped to the lab for analysis.

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