

City of Plummer – ID-1050021

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

City of Plummer-ID1050021- Failed to Correct a Significant Deficiency Within Required Time Frame.

What Happened?

Our water system recently violated a drinking water requirement. Although this incident was not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened and what we did (are doing) to correct this situation.

During a sanitary survey conducted on July 10, 2024, the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (IDEQ) identified a significant deficiency involving Water Reservoir Storage Tank #1, which required repairs before it could be safely returned to service.

The reservoir was taken offline, and all required repairs were completed in September 2025. Before the reservoir could be placed back into operation, the City was required to submit documentation to IDEQ and receive written approval.

On December 17, 2025, the City of Plummer experienced a five-day power outage. Due to the extended loss of power and the need to maintain adequate water supply and fire protection, the City placed Reservoir #1 back into operation before IDEQ approval had been granted. This resulted in a violation. It is important to note that testing for Total Coliform was performed by a certified lab to ensure water quality safety.

Once power was restored, the reservoir was isolated and taken offline again.

As required by Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) Ground Water Rule (GWR), we were required to take action to [correct this deficiency. However, we failed to take this action by the deadline established by Idaho Department of Environmental Quality.

What should I do?

There is nothing you need to do. You do not need to boil your water or take other corrective actions unless further direction is received. 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 healthcare providers about drinking this water. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from on the EPA Ground Water and Drinking Water Website at <https://www.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water>.

What does this mean?

This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified within 24 hours.

**Inadequately treated or inadequately protected water may contain disease-causing organisms. These organisms include bacteria, viruses, and parasites which can cause symptoms such as nausea, cramps, diarrhea, and associated headaches. **

These symptoms, however, are not caused only by organisms in drinking water, but also by other factors. If you experience any of these symptoms and they persist, you may want to seek medical advice.

What is being done?

The City of Plummer is actively working with IDEQ to provide all required documentation and obtain approval to place Reservoir #1 back into production status. We anticipate resolving this issue within the coming weeks.

For more information, please contact City of Plummer at 208-686-1641

**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 City of Plummer. State Water System ID: 1050021.

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