

You are invited to attend township meetings which are held on the 3rd Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Jamestown Township operates the water system using contracted services. Contact Jaime Fleming, at (616)261-3572 or flemingj@wyomingmi.gov for technical questions about this report, or with any water quality questions.

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Go to the Utilities page to find information about paying bills online, Water/Sewer rates and fees, and emergency contact information, and MORE! Go to: twp.jamestown.mi.us/utilities

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Included in the details of this water quality report is important information about where your water comes from, what's in it, and how it compares to standards set by regulatory agencies.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. However, the presence of contaminants in drinking water does not necessarily indicate that the drinking water poses a health risk.

We purchase water from the City of Wyoming whose rain, groundwater, rivers, and streams feed into Lake Michigan, dissolving naturally occurring minerals and sometimes picking up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Some of the substances that can make their way into Lake Michigan are: viruses and bacteria from animal, agricultural, and human activities, salts, metals, pesticides and herbicides, as well as by-products of industrial processes. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations, called Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCLs) that limit the amount of certain contaminants in your drinking water. Wyoming water supply has a moderately high susceptibility to contaminants. For a copy of the most current Source Water Assessment of the water system, please call our office at 616-399-6511.



# **Jamestown Charter Township 2017 Water Quality Report**



## We are pleased to report that your drinking water meets, and often is better than, all state and federal guidelines for safe drinking water.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the State of Michigan require all community water system suppliers to put the annual water quality report into the hands of their consumers. Rule 63 FR 44511, effective August, 19, 1998 requires that all water suppliers shall mail or otherwise directly deliver one copy of their consumer confidence report to each billing customer.

### **Definition Key**

- AL Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers a treatment or other requirement, which a water system must follow.
- Maximum Contaminant Level: the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed MCL in drinking water; MCL's are set as close to the MCLG's as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal: 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.

- MRDL Maximum Residual **Disinfection Level:** 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.
- MRDLG Maximum Residual **Disinfection Level Goal:** The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLG's do not reflect the benefits to the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
  - Not applicable NA Not Detected

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- NTU Nephelometric Turbidity Unit: measurements of minute suspended particles, used to judge water clarity.
- parts per billion or ppb micrograms per liter (ug/l)
- parts per million or ppm milligrams per liter (mg/l)
- **Treatment Technique:** TT a required process, intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

We add fluoride to your tap water to help build strong, healthy teeth that resist decay.

Water fluoridation has been recognized as one of the 10 greatest public health achievements of the 20th century by the **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.** 



# Water Quality Report

Each day, our staff works to ensure the water delivered to your home meets all regulatory requirements and your expectations for safety, reliability and guality. For your protection, your drinking water is tested for many parameters. The table below shows only the substances detected in your water during the calendar year. We are proud to report there were no violations during that time.

	REGULATED MONITORING AT THE TREATMENT PLANT						
SUBSTANCE	UNITS	Level Found	MCL	MCLG	Samples Exceeding MCL	POSSIBLE SOURC	
Fluoride	ppm	0.60	4	4	0	Additive which promotes stro	
SUBSTANCE	UNITS	Level Found	MCL	MCLG	Samples Exceeding MCL	POSSIBLE SOURC	
Turbidity	NTU	0.07	TT = 1 NTU	NA	0	Soil runoff and natural sedime	

100% of Turbidity sample levels were found to be < 0.3 NTU.

	REGULATED MONITORING IN THE DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM						
SUBSTANCE	UNITS	Range	Highest Running Annual Average	MCL	MCLG	Samples Exceeding MCL	POSSIBLE SOUR
Chlorine Residual	ppm	0.32 - 1.11	0.72	4	MRDLG=4	0	Used to disinfect drinking wa
Haloacetic Acids	ppb	14.7 - 21.8	18.25	60	NA	0	Formed when chlorine is add
Trihalomethanes	ppb	26.4 - 38.7	32.55	80	NA	0	with naturally occurring orga

#### **REGULATED MONITORING AT CUSTOMER'S TAP**

Compliance is determined using the 90th percentile, where nine out of ten samples must be below the Action Level. Testing was conducted in 2016.

SUBSTANCE	UNITS	90th Percentile	AL	MCLG	Samples Exceeding AL	POSSIBLE SOURC	
Copper	ppb	480	1300	1300	0	Corrosion of household plum	
Lead	ppb	1.3	15	0	0	erosion of natural deposits, n	
		UNREGULATED MONITORING					
SUBSTANCE	UNITS	REPORTED LEVEL	SOURCE				
Hardness	ppm	146	Naturally present due to dissolved calcium and magnesium salt				
рН	pH units	7.55	pH is an important measurement of the acidity or alkalinity of water				
Chloride	ppm	18	Naturally present in the environment				
Sodium	ppm	12	Naturally present in the environment				

Results were gathered from tests performed by the City of Wyoming's certified lab, as well as the State of Michigan's Department of Environmental Quality laboratory and other certified private laboratories. As authorized by the EPA, the State has reduced monitoring requirements for certain contaminants to less often than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year.



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### 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 are 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 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 at 800-426-4791 or at www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.

Testing is also performed to detect the presence of Cryptosporidium and Giardia, which are protozoan parasites that occur in natural surface waters such as lakes, rivers and streams. Wyoming's water treatment process provides multiple barriers, including clarification, filtration, and disinfection, to lower the risk of these contaminants in finished tap water. Monitoring of treated water samples yielded a 100% removal rate, highlighting the effectiveness of the treatment system in microscopic particle removal. For information on microbiological testing, contact the Wyoming laboratory at 616-261-3572.

For more information about contaminants and potential health effects, call the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline: (800) 426-4971 or visit www.epa.gov/safewater/dwhealth