

# 2014 Consumer Confidence Reports

Iredell Water Corporation
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&

Wayside Estates
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# 2014 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

We are pleased to present to you this year's Annual Drinking Water Quality Report for both the Iredell Water Corporation water system & Wayside Estates water system. The Iredell Water Corporation water system serves the communities of Union Grove, Harmony, Olin, Turnersburg, Central, Scotts Creek, Fairview, & Cool Springs. The Wayside Estates water system services the Wayside Estates Subdivision, Hwy 70, Bethesda Rd, Corn Flower Rd and Triplett Rd areas. Wayside Estates is owned and operated by Iredell Water Corporation. Both of these reports are snapshots of last year's water quality. Included are details about your source(s) of water, what it contains, and how it compares to standards set by regulatory agencies. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water and to providing you with this information because informed customers are our best allies. If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water, please contact Keith Snoddy at 704-876-0672. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. They are held at 571 Jennings Rd. on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 6:00pm.

# What EPA Wants You to Know

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

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).

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. Iredell Water Corporation is 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 or at <a href="http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead">http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead</a>.

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. 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 animals or from human activity. 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 organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems; and radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

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

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# When You Turn on Your Tap, Consider the Source

The water that is used by this system is from 32 different Ground Water sources located throughout our water system. We also have two interconnections for purchase water with the City of Statesville and Energy United Water Corporation. In 2012 99% of our water came from our wells and we purchased less than 1% of our water.

## Source Water Assessment Program (SWAP) Results

The North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), Public Water Supply (PWS) Section, Source Water Assessment Program (SWAP) conducted assessments for all drinking water sources across North Carolina. The purpose of the assessments was to determine the susceptibility of each drinking water source (well or surface water intake) to Potential Contaminant Sources (PCSs). The results of the assessment are available in SWAP Assessment Reports that include maps, background information and a relative susceptibility rating of Higher, Moderate or Lower.

The relative susceptibility rating of each source for Iredell Water Corporation was determined by combining the contaminant rating (number and location of PCSs within the assessment area) and the inherent vulnerability rating (i.e., characteristics or existing conditions of the well or watershed and its delineated assessment area). The assessment findings are summarized in the table below:

#### Susceptibility of Sources to Potential Contaminant Sources (PCSs)

Source Name	Susceptibility Rating	SWAP Report Date
Wells #1,3,4,5,6,11,12,13,15,16,18,19,20,	Moderate	February 2010
21,22,23,24,25,26,27,28,29,30,31,32,33,34		
Wells #2,10,14	Higher	February 2010

NEW: (Updated phone, email/ web link.) The complete SWAP Assessment report for Iredell Water Corporation may be viewed on the Web at: www.ncwater.org/pws/swap. Note that because SWAP results and reports are periodically updated by the PWS Section, the results available on this web site may differ from the results that were available at the time this CCR was prepared. If you are unable to access your SWAP report on the web, you may mail a written request for a printed copy to: Source Water Assessment Program - Report Request, 1634 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1634, or email requests to swap@ncdenr.gov. Please indicate your system name, number, and provide your name, mailing address and phone number. If you have any questions about the SWAP report please contact the Source Water Assessment staff by phone at 919-707-9098.

It is important to understand that a susceptibility rating of "higher" does not imply poor water quality, only the system's potential to become contaminated by PCSs in the assessment area.

# Violations that Your Water System Received for the Report Year

During 2013 we received a VOC Sampling Violation for Well #29 that covered the time period of July 1<sup>st</sup>-September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2013. We have completed all required sampling and have spoken to our laboratory to assure this does not happen again. Please see the Public Notice below for more information.

# NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Violation Awareness Date: February 28, 2014

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 the compliance period specified in the table below, we did not monitor or test for the contaminants listed and therefore cannot be sure of the quality of your drinking water during that time.

CONTAMINANT	FACILITY ID NO./	COMPLIANCE PERIOD	NUMBER OF SAMPLES/	WHEN SAMPLES WERE TAKEN (Returned to Compliance)
GROUP**	SAMPLE POINT ID	BEGIN DATE	SAMPLING FREQUENCY	
VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS	WELL 29/ E29	JULY 1, 2013	1 SAMPLE / QUARTERLY	1st , 2nd and 4th qtrs., 2013

(VOC) - Volatile Organic Chemicals - include 1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene, Cis-1,2-Dichloroethylene, Xylenes (Total), Dichloromethane, o-Dichlorobenzene, p-Dichlorobenzene, Vinyl Chloride, 1,1,-Dichloroethylene, Trans-1,2,-Dichloroethylene, 1,2-Dichloroethane, 1,1,1-Trichloroethane, Carbon Tetrachloride, 1,2-Dichloropropane, Trichloroethylene, 1,1,2-Trichloroethane, Tetrachloroethylene, Chlorobenzene, Benzene, Toluene, Ethylbenzene, and Styrene.

What should I do? There is nothing you need to do at this time.

What is being done? We have taken the required samples and no contaminates were found.

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.

For more information about this violation, please contact the responsible person listed in the first paragraph of this report.

#### **Water Quality Data Tables of Detected Contaminants**

We routinely monitor for over 150 contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. The table below lists all the drinking water contaminants that we <u>detected</u> in the last round of sampling for the particular contaminant group. The presence of contaminants does <u>not</u> necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. **Unless otherwise noted, the data presented in this table is from testing done January 1 through December 31, 2013.** The EPA and the State allow us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. Some of the data, though representative of the water quality, is more than one year old.

Unregulated contaminants are those for which EPA has not established drinking water standards. The purpose of unregulated contaminant monitoring is to assist EPA in determining the occurrence of unregulated contaminants in drinking water and whether future regulations are warranted.

#### **Important Drinking Water Definitions:**

Not-Applicable (N/A) – Information not applicable/not required for that particular water system or for that particular rule.

*Non-Detects* (*N/D*) - Laboratory analysis indicates that the contaminant is not present at the level of detection set for the particular methodology used.

**Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/L)** - One part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

*Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter (ug/L)* - One part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

Picocuries per liter (pCi/L) - Picocuries per liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water.

**Action Level (AL)** - The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

*Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)* - The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

*Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG)* - The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

#### **Tables of Detected Contaminants**

**Inorganic Contaminants** 

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Contaminant (units)	Sample Dates	MCL Violation Y/N	Your Water	Ra Low	inge High	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination			
Fluoride (ppm)	3/2011- 6/2013	No	0.105	N/D	.34	4	4	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories			

#### **Nitrate/Nitrite Contaminants**

Contaminant (units)	ts) MCL Your Range Water Low		nge	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination	
Contaminant (units)			Low	High	MCLG	WICL	Likely Source of Contamination
Nitrate (as Nitrogen) (ppm)	No	0.506	N/D	6.62	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits

Nitrate in drinking water at levels above 10 ppm is a health risk for infants of less than six months of age. High nitrate levels in drinking water can cause blue baby syndrome. Nitrate levels may rise quickly for short periods of time because of rainfall or agricultural activity. If you are caring for an infant you should ask advice from your health care provider.

**Volatile Organic Chemical (VOC) Contaminants** 

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Contaminant (units)	Sample	Sample Violati Your Range		MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination					
Contaminant (units)	Date	on Y/N	Water	Low High MCL Likely So		Likely Source of Contamination					
Benzene (ppb)	4/2013	No	0.015	N/D	.5	0	5	Discharge from factories; leaching from gas storage tanks and landfills			
Toluene (ppm)	4/2013	No	.0002	N/D	.005	1	1	Discharge from petroleum factories			

**Unregulated Inorganic Contaminants** 

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	Contaminant (units)	Sample Date	Your Water	Ra Low	nge High	Secondary MCL
	Sulfate (ppm)	3/2011- 6/2013	7.907	N/D	43.0	250

**Lead and Copper Contaminants** 

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Contaminant (units)	Sample Date	Your Water	# of sites found above the AL	MCLG	AL	Likely Source of Contamination				
Copper (ppm) (90 <sup>th</sup> percentile)	7/2011	<0.386	0	1.3	AL=1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits				
Lead (ppb) (90 <sup>th</sup> percentile)	7/2011	<4.00	0	0	AL=15	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits				

#### **Radioactive Contaminants**

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Contaminant (units)	Sample Date	MCL Violation Y/N	Your Water	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination				
Alpha emitters (pCi/L)	4/2012	N	.343	0	15	Erosion of natural deposits				
Beta/photon emitters (pCi/L)	4/2012	N	0	0	50 *	Decay of natural and man-made deposits				
Combined radium (pCi/L)	5/2013	N	.128	0	5	Erosion of natural deposits				
Uranium (pCi/L)	4/2012	N	0	0	20.1	Erosion of natural deposits				

<sup>\*</sup> Note: The MCL for beta/photon emitters is 4 mrem/year. EPA considers 50 pCi/L to be the level of concern for beta particles.

# **Disinfectants and Disinfection Byproducts Contaminants**

Contaminant (units)	MCL/MR DL Violation Y/N	Your Water RAA (Stage 1)	Range Low High	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
TTHM (ppb) [Total Trihalomethanes]	N	7.13	0-88.0	N/A	80	By-product of drinking water chlorination
HAA5 (ppb) [Total Haloacetic Acids]	N	1.32	0-30.0	N/A	60	By-product of drinking water disinfection

For TTHM: Some people who 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 of getting cancer.

For HAA5: Some people who drink water containing haloacetic acids in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

# 2014 Wayside Estates Drinking Water Quality Public Water System ID Number: 01-49-171

# When You Turn on Your Tap, Consider the Source

The water that is used by this system is Purchased Water from the City of Statesville. The City of Statesville's sources are Lake Lookout and the South Yadkin River, both which are surface water sources.

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#### **Susceptibility of Sources to Potential Contaminant Sources (PCSs)**

Source Name	Susceptibility Rating	SWAP Report Date
Lake Lookout Shoals / Catawba River	Moderate	March 2010
South Yadkin River	Moderate	March 2010

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*Parts per trillion (ppt) or Nanograms per liter (nanograms/L)* - One part per trillion corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000,000.

*Parts per quadrillion (ppq) or Picograms per liter (picograms/L)* - One part per quadrillion corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000,000 years or one penny in \$10,000,000,000.000.

*Picocuries per liter (pCi/L)* - Picocuries per liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water.

Million Fibers per Liter (MFL) - Million fibers per liter is a measure of the presence of asbestos fibers that are longer than 10 micrometers.

*Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU)* - Nephelometric turbidity unit is a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person

**Action Level** (AL) - The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

Treatment Technique (TT) - A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

*Maximum Residual Disinfection Level Goal (MRDLG)* – The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

*Maximum Residual Disinfection Level (MRDL)* – 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.

*Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)* - The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

*Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG)* - The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

# **Tables of Detected Contaminants**

Turbidity\*

Contaminant (units)	Treatment Technique (TT) Violation Y/N	Your Water	Treatment Technique (TT) Violation if:	Likely Source of Contamination
Turbidity (NTU) - Highest single turbidity measurement	N	0.138 NTU	Turbidity > 1 NTU	
Turbidity (NTU) - Lowest monthly percentage (%) of samples meeting turbidity limits	N	100 %	Less than 95% of monthly turbidity measurements are $\leq 0.3 \text{ NTU}$	Soil runoff

<sup>\*</sup> Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of the water. We monitor it because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of our system. The turbidity rule requires that 95% or more of the monthly samples must be less than or equal to 0.3 NTU.

**Inorganic Contaminants** 

Contaminant (units)	Sample Date	MCL Violation Y/N	Your Water	Range Low High	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination	
Fluoride (ppm)	1/09/13	N	0.58ppm	Low	4	4	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories	

**Lead and Copper Contaminants** 

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Contaminant (units)	Sample Date	Your Water	# of sites found above the AL	MCLG	AL	Likely Source of Contamination		
Copper (ppm) (90 <sup>th</sup> percentile)	July 2011	ND	0	1.3	AL=1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits		
Lead (ppb) (90 <sup>th</sup> percentile)	July 2011	ND	0	0	AL=15	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits		

**Total Organic Carbon (TOC)** 

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Contaminant (units)	TT Violation Y/N	Your Water (RAA Removal Ratio)	Range Monthly Removal Ratio Low - High	MCLG	TT	Likely Source of Contamination	Compliance Method (Step 1 or ACC#)
Total Organic Carbon (removal ratio) (TOC)-TREATED	N	Raw avg. 1.86 ppm Treated avg. 0.28 ppm	42%-100%	N/A	TT	Naturally present in the environment	ACC#2

### Disinfectants and Disinfection Byproducts Contaminants Stage 2 Monitoring began in October 2013

Contaminant (units)	MCL/MR DL Violation Y/N	Your Water RAA (Stage 1)	Range Low High	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
TTHM (ppb) [Total Trihalomethanes]	N	75.3ppb  Stage 2  71 ppb	42ppb- 140ppb	N/A	80	By-product of drinking water chlorination
HAA5 (ppb) [Total Haloacetic Acids]	N	29.3ppb <b>Stage 2</b> 17 ppb	17ppb- 31ppb	N/A	60	By-product of drinking water disinfection

The PWS Section requires monitoring for other misc. contaminants, some for which the EPA has set national secondary drinking water standards (SMCLs) because they may cause cosmetic effects or aesthetic effects (such as taste, odor, and/or color) in drinking water. The contaminants with SMCLs normally do not have any health effects and normally do not affect the safety of your water.

#### **Other Miscellaneous Water Characteristics Contaminants**

Contaminant (units)	Sample Date	Your Water	Range Low/High	SMCL
Sodium (ppm)	1/09/13	12.480ppm	Low	N/A
рН	1/09/13	7.2units	N/A	6.5 to 8.5

#### **Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring:**

Unregulated contaminants are those for which EPA has not established drinking water standards. The purpose of unregulated contaminant monitoring is to assist EPA in determining the occurrence of unregulated contaminants in drinking water and whether future regulations are warranted.

Name	Reported Level	Raņge							
		Low	High						
Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring*									
Chromium (ppb)	0.20	ND	0.33						
Strontium (ppb)	0.30	21.7	30.4						
Vanadium (ppb)	0.20	ND	.32						
Chromium-6 (ppb)	0.030	.036	.12						
Chlorate	10	98.2	259						