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QUALITY ON TAP

"Hollidaysburg Borough Authority Water Quality Report for the 2025 Report Year"
Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable. Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

The Hollidaysburg Borough Authority is pleased to present to you this year's **"Quality on Tap", Hollidaysburg Borough Authority Water Quality Report for the 2025 Report Year**. This report has been prepared in accordance with the US Environmental Protection Agency and the PA Department of Environmental Protection guidelines and is designed to inform you about the quality of water and services we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and to protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water.

OUR WATER SYSTEM

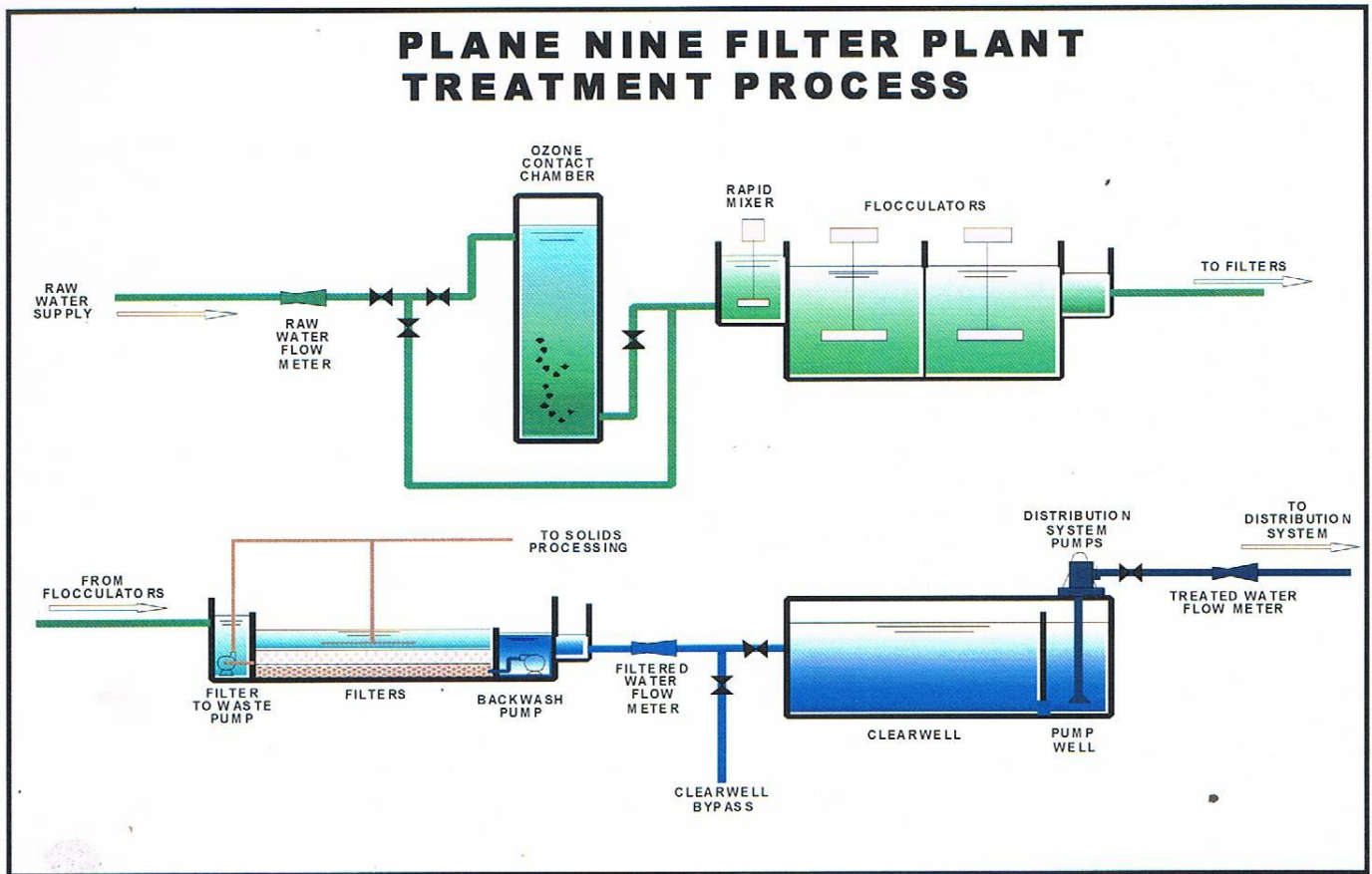
The Hollidaysburg water system is a consecutive system of the Altoona Water Authority (AWA) water system, which means we purchase our treated water from the AWA for distribution to our customers in the Hollidaysburg Borough Authority (HBA) system. The primary source of supply for the water provided to the Hollidaysburg Borough Authority originates from two surface water reservoirs, the Muleshoe Reservoir, which is owned by the HBA, and the Plane Nine Reservoir, which is owned and operated by the AWA. Raw (untreated) water is drawn from both reservoirs and is blended, filtered and treated at the AWA Plane Nine Filtration Plant. The Plane Nine Plant is located immediately below the Plane Nine Reservoir. The treated water is then pumped into the transmission system for distribution to, and consumption by, both the customers of the AWA system and the HBA system.

Water entering the Plane Nine Treatment Plant is first treated with ozone to destroy bacteria and other organisms and to reduce other organic materials that naturally occur in water. The water is then passed through sand filters to remove sediment and other particles. The filtered water is then treated with a corrosion inhibitor to reduce its ability to react with the water distribution pipes and customers' plumbing systems. Finally, chlorine is applied to the water to provide disinfection of the water during its travels through the distribution system and into our customer's plumbing systems.

Because the HBA water system is inter-connected to the AWA water distribution system, water is also available, during times of emergency and drought, from the many sources of the AWA, including several other surface water reservoirs within the AWA system. Since there is a potential for water to be provided to the HBA system from these alternative sources and since water may potentially pass through the interconnection, results of analysis conducted on these other sources of supply, have also been included in this report.

INFORMATION ABOUT LEAD

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 associated with service lines and home plumbing. Hollidaysburg Borough Authority is responsible for providing high quality drinking water but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components in your home. You share the responsibility for protecting yourself and your family from the lead in your home plumbing. You can take responsibility by identifying and removing lead materials within our home plumbing and taking steps to reduce your family's risk. Before drinking tap water, flush your pipes for several minutes by running your tap, taking a shower, doing laundry or a load of dishes. You can also use a filter certified by an American National Standards Institute accredited certifier to reduce lead in drinking water. 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 www.epa.gov/safewater/lead. The Hollidaysburg Borough Authority has prepared a service line inventory that includes the type of materials contained in each service line in our distribution system. This inventory can be accessed by contacting our office at 814-696-0623,



A source water assessment of the Plane Nine and Muleshoe Reservoir intakes, which supply water to the Plane Nine Filtration Plant, was completed in 2003 by the PA DEP. The assessment has found that the intakes are potentially most susceptible to transportation corridor (hiway) contaminants and illegal dumping, while a minor susceptibility exists for contamination from natural gas pipelines, public use, abandoned mine land and natural gas wells within the respective watershed areas. A summary of the report is available on the DEP website at www.dep.state.pa.us (Keyword: DEP source water). Copies of the complete report are also available from the Southcentral Regional Office, Records Management Unit at (717) 705-4732.

2025 WATER QUALITY TABLE

The HBA and the AWA routinely monitor, and test, for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. The following table shows the results of monitoring conducted by either HBA or the AWA for the period of January 1st to December 31st, 2025 and show results for every regulated contaminant detected in the water, even in the most minute traces. Some of the data in the table may be from test results obtained from prior years, in accordance with the Safe Drinking Water Act, and these dates are noted on the table where applicable. Concentrations of such contaminants do not change frequently in the source water and annual monitoring is not necessary to safeguard the quality of water. The table also contains the nature of each substance, the highest level allowed by regulation, the ideal goals for public health and the amount detected and the usual sources of contamination. In this table you will find many terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. Please refer to the Glossary to help you better understand these terms and abbreviations. It should also be noted that additional contaminants have been tested for during 2025 which were not detected to be present in the water.

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WATER QUALITY TABLE - 2025 TEST RESULTS (or most recent sampling as noted)							
Contaminant (Unit of measurement)	Violation Yes/No	Highest Level Detected	Range	MCLG	MCL (Highest Level Allowed)	Likely Source of Contamination	
Microbiological Contaminants							
Total Coliform Bacteria (AWA)	No	2.86%	0-2.86%	0	Less than 5% positive of monthly samples	Naturally present in the environment.	
Turbidity (ntu) [From AWA treatment plant sampling]	No	0.27 NTU Mill Run 6/06/25	0.02 – 0.27 NTU	n/a	Treatment Technique=0.3ntu 95% monthly samples <=0.3ntu	Soil runoff	
Turbidity Bellwood Facility	No	0.19 NTU Bellwood 12/19/25	0.01 – 0.19 NTU	n/a	Treatment Technique=0.15ntu 95% monthly samples <=0.15ntu	Soil runoff	
Inorganic Contaminants							
Copper (ppm) (2025) (HBA)	No	0.029 (90 th percentile)	Zero sites above AL out of 2 sites sampled 2025	1.3	AL = 1.3ppm	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits	
Lead (ppb) (2025) (HBA)	No	0.73 (90 th percentile)	Zero sites above AL out of 2 sites sampled 2025	15	AL=15ppb	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits	
Fluoride (AWA)	NO	0.09PPM	0.081 - 0.09ppm	2.0PPM	2.0PPM	Erosions of natural deposits, Discharge from aluminum and fertilizer factories.	
Nitrate (AWA)	No	0.433PPM	0.111 - 0.433ppm	10PPM	10PPM	Erosion of natural deposits. Runoff from fertilizer use.	
Bromates (AWA)	No	HIGHEST RAA 1.50PPB	ND – 1.50ppb	10PPB	10PPB	By-product of drinking water chlorination.	
Barium (AWA)	No	0.0569 PPM	0.021 to 0.0569 ppm	2.0 PPM	2.0 PPM	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.	
Chlorine – total (ppm) (HBA)	No	1.65ppm	1 – 1.65	4(b)	4(b)	Water additive used to control microbes	
TTHM (total trihalomethanes - ppb) [from HBA distribution system]	No	49.35 highest annual average	37.80 – 60.90	0	80	By-product of drinking water chlorination	
Halogenated Acetic Acids (ppb) [from HBA distribution system]	No	17.35 highest annual avg	12.80 – 21.90	0	60	By-product of drinking water chlorination	
SYNTHETIC ORGANIC CHEMICAL (SOC) – No SOC'S detected in 2025 (AWA)							
Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) (AWA)							
Contaminant Name	LOCATION ID	MCL	Result	Range of Detection	Sources	Potential Health Effects	Violation
Carbon Tetrachloride (2024)	DISTRIBUTION	5PPB	3.33ppb	0 – 3.33ppb	Discharge from chemical plants & other industrial activities		NO
Ethylbenzene (2023)	DISTRIBUTION	700PPB	1.9ppb	0 – 1.9ppb	Found in solvents, paints, ink & rubber	Excess exposure could result in throat or eye irritation	NO
Ethylbenzene (2021)	BELLWOOD EP 113	700PPB	11.2ppb	0 – 11.2ppb			
Xylenes (Total) (2023)	DISTRIBUTION	10	0.0101ppm	0 – 0.0101ppm	Found in ink, rubber & adhesives	Excess exposure could result in disturbances of cognitive abilities	NO
Xylenes (Total) (2021)	BELLWOOD EP 113	10	0.0911ppm	0 – 0.911ppm			
ENTRY POINT DISINFECTANT RESIDUAL							
Contaminant Name	Location Id	Min. Level Allowed	Lowest Level Detected	Range of Detections	Sources of Contamination	Violation	
Chlorine	Tipton EP 111	0.2 ppm	0.67 ppm 09/12/25	0.67 to 2.06 ppm	Water additive used to control microbes.	No	
Chlorine	Bellwood EP 113	0.2 ppm	1.06 ppm 12/17/25	1.06 to 1.79 ppm		No	
Chlorine	Plane Nine EP 115	0.2 ppm	1.21 ppm 09/10/25	1.21 to 2.27 ppm		No	
Chlorine	HSC EP 116	0.2 ppm	1.33 ppm 06/17/25	1.33 to 2.05 ppm		No	
Chlorine	Kettle EP 117	0.2 ppm	0.41 ppm 11/20/25	0.41 to 2.06 ppm		No	
Chlorine	Mill Run EP 119	0.2 ppm	0.79 ppm 7/17/25	0.79 to 2.19 ppm		No	
Chlorine (HBA)	Distribution	0.2ppm	1.65 ppm Highest AVG	Jan 2025 Highest		No	
Total Organic Carbon (TOC)							
Contaminant	Range of % Removal Required	Range of percent removal achieved	Number of months out of compliance	Sources of Contamination	Violation		
Total Organic Carbon	35%	26% to 42%	None-Met alternate compliance criteria	Naturally present in the environment	No		
Unregulated Contaminants (UCMR5)							
Our water system sampled for a series of unregulated contaminants. Unregulated contaminants are those that don't yet have a drinking water standard set by EPA. The purpose of monitoring these contaminants is to help EPA decide whether the contaminants should have a standard. All chemicals were non-detect.							
Water Quality Table Notes							
840 Distribution samples were collected by AWA in 2025. All analysis complied with SDWA standards. Special samples & Check samples were collected in 2025. All analysis complied with SDWA standards.							
RAW Water Quality Table Notes							
Turbidity							
Turbidity	46.43ntu HSC (1/10/25)	0.43 – 46.3ntu	Soil runoff	Interferes with disinfection and may indicate the presence of disease-causing organism.	NO		
Violations							
Failure to Monitor- Samples for TTHM/HAA5 were not collected during the 4 th quarter of 2025 and 1 st quarter of 2026 when monitoring requirements were changed from annual to quarterly sampling. Quarterly sampling began during the 2 nd quarter of 2026. A Public Notice is included with this CCR to meet compliance requirements. Water quality was not impacted by this testing delay.							
AWA Violations: Can be found at the following link: https://www.altoonawater.gov/sites/default/files/2026-05/2025_ccr.pdf							

WATER QUALITY AND HEALTH RELATED INFORMATION

The Hollidaysburg Borough Authority routinely monitors for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) prescribe regulations which limit the amount of contaminants in water provided by public systems. These agencies require monitoring of the water to ensure that your drinking water does not exceed certain Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCL's). These MCL's are set at very stringent levels for the protection of public health. All sources of drinking water are subject to potential contaminants that are naturally occurring or man-made. Those contaminants can be microbes, organic or inorganic chemicals, or radioactive materials. Drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of these contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the 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 at 1-800-426-4791. The sources of drinking water, including both tap 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 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 operations and wildlife.
- **Inorganic contaminants**, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban 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, stormwater runoff and residential uses.
- **Organic chemical contaminants**, including synthetic and volatile organics, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff and septic systems.
- **Radioactive contaminants**, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

Potential Health Effects of Various Contaminants

Turbidity: Interferes with disinfection. May provide a medium for microbial growth. May indicate a presence of disease-causing organisms.

Barium: Some people who drink water containing barium in excess of the MCL over many years, could experience an increase in blood pressure.

Copper: Some people who drink water containing copper in excess of the Action Level may cause gastrointestinal distress over the short term and liver or kidney damage over a period of many years.

Fluoride: Some people who drink water containing fluoride in excess of the MCL over many years could get bone disease and pain and tenderness of the bones. In children, excess fluoride may cause mottling of the teeth.

Lead: Adults who drink water containing lead in excess of the Action Level could develop kidney and high blood pressure problems. Children who drink water containing lead in excess of the Action Level could experience delays in physical and mental development.

Nitrate: Infants below the age of 6 months who drink water containing nitrate in excess of the MCL could become seriously ill and, if untreated, may die. Symptoms may include shortness of breath, and blue baby syndrome.

Chlorine: Some people who use water containing chlorine well in excess of the MRDL could experience irritating effects to their eyes, nose and could experience stomach discomfort.

Trihalomethanes & Halogenated Acetic Acids: Some people who drink water containing these contaminants 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.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population.

Immuno-compromised persons such as those 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 microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791. *Cryptosporidium* are microbial pathogens found in surface water throughout the U.S. The Altoona Water Authority began testing for E-Coli & *Cryptosporidium* in late 2015 to comply with the LT2 Enhanced Surface Water Treatment Rule. All results have been within normal, expected ranges. LT2 Testing for all sources was completed in February 2018. DEP also conducts Filter Plant Performance Evaluations at AWA's facilities on a regular basis and has never found *cryptosporidium* in the finished water.

GLOSSARY

The following are definitions of terms and abbreviations used throughout this report and in the Water Quality Tables.

AWA – Altoona Water Authority

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

CDC - United States Center for Disease Control

DEP – Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection

Flocculate – Water treatment process whereby fine sediment and other particles are gathered together to form larger particles in order to improve the ability of the water filtration process to remove the particles.

HBA - Hollidaysburg Borough Authority

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

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

MRDL – Maximum Residual Disinfectant 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 - 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 of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contamination.

Mrem/yr – Millirems per year. Measure of radiation absorbed by the body.

N/A – Not Applicable.

ND – Non-Detects. Laboratory analysis indicates that the contaminant is not present at a detectable level.

NTU – Nephelometric Turbidity Unit. Nephelometric Turbidity Unit is a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person.

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

ppb – Parts per billion or micrograms per liter. One part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

Treatment Technique – A required process intended to reduce the level of contaminant in drinking water.

Turbidity – The measurement of cloudiness of the water. We monitor turbidity because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of filtration.

PLEASE PROTECT... We at the Hollidaysburg Borough Authority water system continuously strive to provide top water quality to every tap. We ask that all of our customers help us to protect our water sources. Please exercise care and caution if hiking, hunting or traveling through the water shed areas of the Muleshoe and Plane Nine reservoirs so that these sources of water supply do not become contaminated by activities in the watershed. Please also report immediately, to the HBA, any littering, spills or dumping that may impact the watershed areas and notify the Hollidaysburg Borough Police of any suspicious or unusual activities that may be observed in or around the reservoir sites or their respective watershed areas.

AND CONSERVE... The Authority would also request that customers conserve our water resources by conserving water in the home and at places of work. Repair leaks in your home, such as dripping faucets and leaks inside of the toilet as soon as they are discovered. Leaks, even small faucets drips, can waste significant amounts of water. Leaks inside a toilet can waste up to 200 gallons of water per day, or more. Test for leaks in a toilet by placing a few drops of food coloring in the toilet tank. If the colored water appears in the bowl (without flushing), the toilet is leaking. If you have a leaking faucet, a simple replacement of a rubber washer may save gallons of water from being wasted down the drain. In addition, hot water leaks waste not only water, but energy to heat the water. Please consider the following tips for conserving water around the home: Install low consumption toilets when remodeling or during new construction; place a weighted plastic jug in the toilet tank to displace and save an equal amount of water with each flush; install low-flow aerators on all faucets and low-flow shower heads on the shower spigot; turn the water off while brushing teeth or shaving; take showers instead of baths and turn off water while soaping or shampooing; refrigerate a bottle of water instead of letting the faucet water flow until cold enough to drink; do not pre-rinse dishes prior to loading in the dishwasher; use the proper water level or load size selection on washing machines; use a broom instead of a hose to clean driveways and sidewalks; water the lawn and garden during the coolest part of the day; mulch around trees and shrubs; and use native plants in landscaping since they require less care and watering than ornamental varieties.

Form



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COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
BUREAU OF SAFE DRINKING WATER

PUBLIC NOTICE

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER
FAILURE TO MONITOR**

**ESTE INFORME CONTIENE INFORMACIÓN IMPORTANTE ACERCA DE SU AGUA POTABLE. HAGA QUE
ALGUIEN LO TRADUZCA PARA USTED, O HABLE CON ALGUIEN QUE LO ENTIENDA.**

Monitoring Requirements Not Met for Hollidaysburg Borough Authority

Our water system violated one or more drinking water standards over the past year. Even though these were not emergencies, as our customers, you have a 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 4th quarter 2025 and 1st -2nd quarter 2026 we failed to monitor for the following 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 contaminant(s) we did not properly test for during the last year, the required sampling frequency, how many samples we took, when samples should have been taken, and the date on which corrective action samples were (or will be) taken.

Contaminant	Required sampling frequency	Number of samples taken	When all samples should have been taken	When samples were or will be taken
TTHM/HAA5	Quarterly	2	Nov. 2025, Jan. 2026	April 2026

What happened? What was done? When will it be resolved?

Sampling was changed from annual to quarterly starting in the 4th quarter of 2025. Quarterly sampling began 2nd quarter of 2026.

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 regarding this notice, please contact

Amy Hazlett at 814-695-7543

Certified by:

Signature:

Date: 6/18/26

Print Name and Title: Amy Hazlett Director of Public Works

As a representative of the Public Water system indicated above, I certify that public notification addressing the above violation was distributed to all customers in accordance with the delivery requirements outlined in Chapter 25 PA Code 109 Subchapter D of the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP's) regulations. The following methods of distribution were used: inclusion in 2025 CCR

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CURRENT OCCUPANT

Thank you... for allowing us to continue to provide your family with clean, quality water this year. In order to maintain a safe and dependable water supply, we sometimes need to make improvements to the system that will benefit all of our customers. These improvements are sometimes reflected as rate structure adjustments. We thank you for your understanding when such adjustments are necessary. Please contact our office if you should have any questions concerning this report or the HBA water system in general.

HOW TO CONTACT US

If you have any questions about this report, or questions concerning the Hollidaysburg Borough Authority or the water system in general, you may contact:

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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 on the third Tuesday of each month, at 5:30 PM, in the Council Chambers of the Borough of Hollidaysburg, 401 Blair Street, Hollidaysburg.