



IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable.
Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

**650 and 550 Zones in SWS - Whittier Water System Has Levels of
Perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA)
Above the Response Level**

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of the presence of perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) in the Whittier service area in the 650 and 550 zones. If you are receiving this letter, it is because your service address is in one of these two zones. This notice does not apply to other customers in the Whittier service area.

There are two sources of water in the 650 and 550 zones: A booster station designated as Plant 217 and an interconnection with La Habra Heights County Water District (LHHCWD). Plant 217 is the primary source of water for these zones and accounts for 99% of the water supplied. LHHCWD is a secondary source used during construction events and other emergencies and accounts for less than 1% of the water supplied. Following mandatory monitoring required by the State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water (DDW), it was determined the Response Level (RL) annual average of 10 nanograms per liter for PFOA was exceeded in the water that SWS receives from LHHCWD.

The levels associated with the water delivered from LHHCWD sources to SWS is shown below:

Well	Status	PFOA Results	PFOA RL (ppt)
10	Active	14 ppt	10
11	Active	11 ppt	10

What should I do?

- **You do not need to use an alternative water supply (e.g., bottled water).**
- This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately.
- *This is not considered a high concentration exposure and therefore is not*

associated with immediate health concerns.

- Some people who drink water containing PFOA over many years may experience liver effects and may be at a greater risk in developing cancer.
- If you have other health issues concerning the consumption of this water, you may wish to consult your doctor.

What happened? What is being done?

We received notice from LHHCWd on March 6, 2023. The LHHCWd is an emergency source for the 650 and 550 zones and is used less than 1% of the time.

For more information, please contact Sandy Nimat at (626) 543-2648 or snimat@swwc.com.

Please share this information with all of 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 public notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

This notice is being sent to you by Suburban Water Systems.

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Location of 650 and 550 zone in the Whittier System:

