



Apple Valley Foothill County Water District

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER SERVICE LINES

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

As required by U.S. EPA, Apple Valley Foothill County Water District has identified that your water service connection is considered a lead status unknown service line.

The APPLE VALLEY FOOTHILL County Water District recently conducted an inventory of all water service lines, which is the pipe that connects your [home, building, or other structure] to the water main. The purpose of the inventory is to identify the material of these service lines and fittings, including the customer-owned side of the water service line.

The pipe that connects your home to the water main has not been identified and until a visual inspection takes place to confirm, it is listed as an unknown material. Lead service lines or certain galvanized pipes can potentially place you at risk for exposure to lead; therefore, this line will be identified within the next few weeks.

The APPLE VALLEY FOOTHILL County Water District routinely monitors for lead in the distribution system. Lead and Copper samples were scheduled to be taken summer of 2025. The most recent water sample results received on 10/14/2025 showed that the 90th percentile of all lead levels measured in the distribution system was 85.3. The prior lead tests taken in 2022 showed that the 90th percentile of all lead levels measured in the distribution system also had a 0.0 or NOT DETECTED. The action level for lead in drinking water is 0.015 milligrams per liter (mg/L) or 15 micrograms per liter (µg/L).

The most recent water sample results do not exceed the action level of 0.015 mg/L for lead. If they did you would have received a separate notice that your most recent water sample results exceed the action level of 0.015 mg/L for lead.

Is my water affected?

*** If you received a separate notice instructing you to not drink, boil, or avoid drinking your water, then please continue following those instructions until you are instructed to do otherwise.**



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If you **did not** receive any separate notice:

- This is not an emergency.
- Your water is safe to drink and meets federal and state safe drinking water standards.
- You do not need to use an alternative water supply (e.g., bottled water).

What about my service line?

- If your service line is categorized as a lead status unknown composition, you can help your public water system identify your service line material.
 - EPA has developed an online step-by-step guide to help people identify lead pipes in their homes called Protect Your Tap: A Quick Check for Lead. (<https://www.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water/protect-your-tap-quick-check-lead>)
 - Other organizations have also provided tools to identify service line material, such as the LSLR Collaborative (<https://www.lslr-collaborative.org/identifying-service-line-material.html>)
- Inform us immediately if you plan to alter or replace your service line because we may be required to replace the system portion.
- Please contact us immediately if you feel that we have incorrectly categorized the service line material.

Contact APPLE VALLEY FOOTHILL County Water District at 760-247-1101 or dsmith@jrcwd.org to inform us if your service line has been incorrectly categorized, to share any information you may find about your service line, or to inform us of your plans to alter or replace your service line.

What happens next?

Identification of lead service lines utilizing building and plumbing codes, county ordinances, historical building records and permits, distribution maps and record drawings, meter installation records, community survey, and visual inspections.

Replacement Schedule prioritizing older service lines and areas that water quality complaints and leaks.

Coordination with property owners on the service lines that have lead lines to plan water shut-offs and resources available to property owners.

Disposal of Lead Services, ensuring that the contractors remove them to an appropriate facility/scrap yard.

Emergency Replacements will be handled with Juniper having materials, staff resources, and procedures in place to replace the service line, and documenting the service line



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materials if they are made known and replacing at a later date.

We anticipate replacing all known lead services by 2035. This may be expedited if you plan to alter or replace the w Describe your service line replacement plan].ater service line on your property at an earlier time because we may be required to replace the system portion.

Lead Related Health Information

- *Exposure to lead in drinking water can cause serious health effects in all age groups. Infants and children can have decreases in IQ and attention span. Lead exposure can cause new learning and behavior problems or exacerbate existing learning and behavior problems. The children of women who are exposed to lead before or during pregnancy can have increased risk of these adverse health effects. Adults can have increased risks of heart disease, high blood pressure, kidney or nervous system problems.*
- If you have concerns about your water quality, the State Water Board's Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program has a [map of laboratories](#) that can test your water at the consumer's expense, which can be found at: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking_water/certlic/labs/
- If you still have health concerns from potential lead exposure in your drinking water, there are point-of-use (POU) devices that can be used on your drinking water taps to provide an additional barrier of protection. A list of these residential treatment devices can be found at: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking_water/certlic/device/watertreatmentdevices.html
- If you have other health issues concerning the consumption of this water, you may wish to consult your health care provider.

Additional Resources

To replace lead or galvanized service lines requiring replacement, to verify the material of an unknown service line, for information on financial programs to assist with service line replacements, or for any other information, contact Daniel B. Smith at 760-247-1101 or danavfwd@gmail.com and/or visit www.avfwater.org.

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 public notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.