

City of Maysville

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER Town of Maysville Has Levels of Uranium Above Drinking Water Standards

Our water system recently violated a drinking water standard. Although this is not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we are doing to correct this situation.

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. Testing results show that our system exceeds the standard or maximum contaminant level (MCL), for Uranium. The standard for Uranium is 20pCi/L. Uranium was found at 64 pCi/L in Maysville's Well #5.

What should I do?

You do not need to use an alternative (e.g., bottled) water supply. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.

What does this mean?

This is not an immediate risk. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately. However, some people who drink water containing uranium in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer and kidney toxicity.

What happened? What is being done?

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) required all systems to begin monitoring for uranium by December 31, 2007. As a result, Maysville was notified by the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) in September 2008 that uranium levels from Well #5 were above the MCL for the 2nd quarter of 2008. We shut down Well #5 on October 13, 2008 after learning of the test results. Prior to receiving the 2nd quarter test results, another sample was pulled for the 3rd quarter of 2008. This sample also exceeded the MCL for uranium. We are currently consulting with EPD and our Engineer regarding our options for additional treatment or abandonment of Well #5.

For more information, please contact the Georgia EPD at 404-656-4807 (www.gaepd.org) or Georgia Division of Public Health Chemical Hazards Program at 404-657-6534 (www.health.state.ga.us/Programs/Hazards) or U. S. EPA Radiation Protection Programs at 404-562-9459 (www.epa.gov/radiation/basic).

This notice is being sent to you by the Town of Maysville.

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**Sewage Spill Report
Sewage Entered a Waterway**

Name of Municipality **City of Maysville**

Date of Spill **12-11-08** Time of Spill **10:30am**

Duration of Spill **4 hours**

Amount of Spill **4,800 gallons** (If this spill was a minor spill, submit this page. If it was a major spill as defined on the second page, submit both pages.)

Describe the method used to determine amount **A five gallon bucket was used to estimate the flow entering an unnamed tributary of Grove Creek.**

Location of spill **A municipal lift station adjacent to an unnamed tributary of Grove Creek at the end of Ellison Drive in Maysville.**

What waterway was affected? **Grove Creek**

Describe what happened. What caused the spill? Is the spill ongoing? Give details of the corrective actions. Has the repair been completed? Attach pictures of before and after the repair and extra sheets if needed for description. **Lift station overflow due to the high volume of water entering the collection system during a 4.6 inch rain event. The spill occurred during the hours of 10:30-14:30 on 12-11-08. No repair was necessary. Affected area spread with lime, no further action taken.**

Date you called EPD **12-11-08** Who at EPD did you talk to? **Vickie Yarbrough**

Date you reported spill to Health Department **12-12-08**

Copy of notice to Health Department included **Yes**

Date notice posted at spill site **12-12-08**

Picture of notice posted included **Yes**

Spill Reported to Banks Co. News and Jackson Herald on **12-12-08**

Copy of public notice, clipping from newspaper, etc. included **N/A**

