



# COUNTY OF YOLO

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## 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.

### DRINKING WATER WARNING

North Davis Meadows water has high levels of nitrate

**DO NOT GIVE THE WATER TO  
INFANTS UNDER 6 MONTHS OLD OR PREGNANT WOMEN  
OR USE IT TO MAKE INFANT FORMULA**

Monthly water sample results, available at [www.YoloCounty.org/North-Davis-Meadows-CSA](http://www.YoloCounty.org/North-Davis-Meadows-CSA) (select Water Quality link), show ongoing nitrate levels at Well #2 (Blackhawk Place) above the nitrate standard or maximum contaminant level (MCL), of 10 milligrams per liter. Nitrate in drinking water is a serious health concern for infants less than six months old.

#### What should I do?

- **DO NOT GIVE THE WATER TO INFANTS.** *Infants below the age of six months who drink water containing nitrate in excess of the MCL may quickly become seriously ill and, if untreated, may die because high nitrate levels can interfere with the capacity of the infant's blood to carry oxygen. Symptoms include shortness of breath and blueness of the skin. Symptoms in infants can develop rapidly, with health deteriorating over a period of days. If symptoms occur, seek medical attention immediately.*
- **PREGNANT WOMEN SHOULD NOT CONSUME THE WATER.** High nitrate levels may also affect the oxygen-carrying ability of the blood of pregnant women.
- Water, juice, and formula for children under six months of age should not be prepared with tap water. Bottled water or other water low in nitrates should be used for infants until further notice.
- **DO NOT BOIL THE WATER.** Boiling, freezing, filtering or letting water stand does not reduce the nitrate level. Excessive boiling can make the nitrates more concentrated, because nitrates remain behind when the water evaporates.

- If you have other health issues concerning the consumption of this water, you may wish to consult your doctor.

### **What happened?**

Nitrate in drinking water can come from natural, industrial, or agricultural sources (including septic systems, storm water run-off, and fertilizers). Levels of nitrate in drinking water can vary throughout the year. We will let you know if the amount of nitrate is again below the limit.

### **What is being done?**

We had anticipated resolving the problem by connecting to the City of Davis water system by the end of 2019. However, the connection project has been delayed by a court action filed by three individuals residing in North Davis Meadows, which sought to invalidate the Board's adoption of increased water service fees within the County Service Area to fund the necessary infrastructure. The Yolo County Superior Court rejected the challenge and upheld the water service fees, but the challengers appealed the court's ruling. We hope to receive a decision from the Court of Appeal this year, but delays in the court proceedings may push out a resolution of the lawsuit into 2022 or beyond.

For more information, visit [www.YoloCounty.org/North-Davis-Meadows-CSA](http://www.YoloCounty.org/North-Davis-Meadows-CSA) (select Water Quality link) or contact the Yolo County Service Areas Administrative Support Team at (530) 666-8431 or e-mail [YoloCSA@yolocounty.org](mailto:YoloCSA@yolocounty.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.

### **Secondary Notification Requirements**

Upon receipt of notification from a person operating a public water system, the following notification must be given within 10 days [Health and Safety Code Section 116450(g)]:

- **SCHOOLS:** Must notify school employees, students, and parents (if the students are minors).
- **RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROPERTY OWNERS OR MANAGERS** (including nursing homes and care facilities): Must notify tenants.
- **BUSINESS PROPERTY OWNERS, MANAGERS, OR OPERATORS:** Must notify employees of businesses located on the property.

This notice is being sent to you by North Davis Meadows.

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