
Approved Providers of Bottled Water

We will be sending out a notice with information on approved providers of bottled water in the very near future.

Thank you for your continued cooperation.

Amador Water Agency



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Important Health Notice!



IF YOU ARE UTILITIZING UNTREATED WATER FROM THE AMADOR WATER AGENCY (IONE PIPELINE OR THE AMADOR CANAL) FOR PURPOSES OTHER THAN IRRIGATION, PLEASE BE ADVISED OF THE FOLLOWING NOTICE OF HEALTH RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH THE USE OF UNTREATED WATER (RAW WATER) FOR CONSUMPTION OR DOMESTIC USE . . .

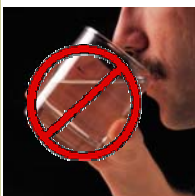
Health Notice to Untreated Water or "Raw" Water Customers :

The water provided through your service connection by the Amador Water Agency (**account numbers beginning with 01 , 08 or 10**) is raw water that has received no treatment whatsoever. That means that it is **not safe** for domestic uses, including drinking, cooking, oral hygiene,



The Amador Canal.

and other typical household uses of water to support human life and to maintain humane hygiene. The water may contain contaminants, including bacteria, viruses, parasites and other pathogenic organisms, that can cause disease. Disease symptoms may include diarrhea, cramps, nausea, and possibly jaundice, and associated headaches and fatigue. These symptoms, however, are not just associated with disease-causing organisms in drinking water, but also may be caused by number of factors other than your drinking water.



State and Federal law mandate that customers receiving raw water must also be provided with alternate water that meets Safe Drinking Water Act health standards for drinking and cooking. This alternate water

may be bottled water or hauled bulk treated water that is provided by a vendor licensed by the Food and Drug Branch of the California Department of Health Services.

The alternate water may also be obtained from an approved Point Of Entry (POE) water treatment system that is approved by the Amador Water Agency. The POE must be operated, maintained, and monitored by the Amador Water Agency, or the alternate water may be treated water purchased at the Amador Water Agency's Tanner Water Treatment Plant at Sutter Hill.



Administrative Offices at the Tanner Treatment Plant

The law does not mandate that alternate water be provided for domestic (common household human consumption) uses other than drinking and cooking, such as oral hygiene, ice preparation, bathing, dish washing, irrigating or cleaning wounds, and food preparation including washing fruits and vegetables and meat products. However, that does not mean that there is no risk of illness or disease from untreated water used for these purposes. Therefore, you need to be aware that these uses can also cause disease if pathogens are present in the water. The adverse effects are typically more severe in infants, the elderly, and those with compromised immune systems and life threatening illnesses. To reduce your risk, you should:



- Use the alternate source for oral hygiene, ice preparation, irrigating or cleaning wounds, and when washing any food that will not subsequently be cooked;
- Avoid getting any raw water in your mouth when bathing or showering; and
- Rinse dishes in the hottest water you can manage and do not use until they have been completely dried, either by the air or a clean towel.

Note that many home treatment units lack the technological features and reliability to assure that the treated water is consistently safe for domestic use. Therefore, when using a home treatment unit, make sure you understand how to maintain it so that it operates well and perform the required maintenance on it on schedule. If purchasing a unit, query the salesperson thoroughly to learn about reliability features and maintenance and how you can help ensure that the unit keeps your water safe. If you are considering purchasing a home treatment unit, please contact the Water Agency prior to the purchase.

As a property owner, it is **your** responsibility to warn any tenants, guests or subsequent owners that the untreated water is not fit for human consumption.

If you have any questions about the material contained in this notice, please contact Yvette Brahney at (209) 257-5297.

The Amador Water Agency is dedicated to the health and safety of its customers. Be informed. Please give this matter your full attention.



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