## 2021 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report Clarendon County Water & Sewer SC DHEC # 1450013

We're pleased to present to you this year's annual Water Quality Report. This report is designed to inform you about the quality water and services we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water. Our water source is one ground water well and a connection with the City of Manning. If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact Hunter Denny at (803) 433-3254. A source water assessment has been conducted for our system by SCDHEC. For more information on this assessment, please contact SCDHEC at 803-898-3531.

Clarendon County Water & Sewer routinely monitors for constituents in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. This table shows the results of our monitoring for the period of January 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021. As water travels over the land or underground, it can pick up substances or contaminants such as microbes, inorganic and organic chemicals, and radioactive substances. All drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some constituents. It's important to remember that the presence of these constituents does not necessarily pose a health risk.

In this table you will find many terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms we've provided the following definitions: *Non-Detects (ND) - laboratory analysis indicates that the constituent is not present.* 

Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l) - one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter - one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

Action Level - the concentration of a contaminant that, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system must follow.

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) - (mandatory language) The "Maximum Allowed" (MCL) is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) -The "Goal" (MCLG) is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL) - The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG) – The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

Picocuries per liter (pCi/L) - picocuries per liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water.



## **TEST RESULTS**

## Clarendon County (SC1450013)

Lead & Copper							
Lead and Copper	Violation	90 <sup>th</sup> Percentile	Unit Measurement	Action level	# Sites over AL	Likely source of Contamination	
Lead (2021)	N	0.38	ppb	15	0	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits	
Copper (2021)	N	0.014	ppm	1.3	0	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives	

Regulated Contaminants						
Disinfectants and Disinfection By- Products	Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Unit Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Chlorine (2021)	N	0.5 Range 0.02-0.78	ppm	4	4	Water additive used to control microbes
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM) (2021)	N	2.26 Range 0-2.26	ppb	No Goal for the Total	80	By-product of drinking water disinfection

<b>Inorganic Contaminants</b>	Violation	Level Detected	Units	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Sodium **Unregulated contaminant (2020)	N	75 Range 75-75	ppm	N/A	N/A	Occurs Naturally
Fluoride (2020)	Y	1.5 Range 1.5-1.5	ppm	4	4.0	Erosion of natural deposits; Water attitive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Radioactive Contaminants	Violation	Level Detected	Units	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Combined Radium 226/228 (2019)	N	0.136	pCi/L	0	15	Erosion of Natural Deposits

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<b>Inorganic Contaminants</b>	Violation	Level	Units	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
		Detected				
Fluoride (2021)	N	0.94	ppm	4	4.0	Erosion of natural deposits; Water attitive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Sodium **unregulated contaminant (2021)	N	59	ppm	N/A	N/A	Occurs Naturally



If present, elevated lead levels can cause serous health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Clarendon County is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your drinking water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead

All sources of drinking water are subject to potential contamination by substances that are naturally occurring or man made. These substances can be microbes, inorganic or organic chemicals and radioactive substances. All drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline 1-800-426-4791.

