

Chester Public Utility District

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NEWS RELEASE

NOTICE TO CHESTER PUD WATER CUSTOMERS

THIS IS NOT A HEALTH ALERT

The **Chester PUD** is in the process of disinfecting the water distribution system. Routine bacteriological samples have shown the presence of coliform bacteria in the system. Total coliform bacteria are common in the environment and are not generally harmful themselves. The chlorination process will clean out this contamination as we work to determine and fix the cause. **THIS IS NOT A HEALTH ALERT.**

The District will introduce chlorine in to the water system on Sunday, October 31st. Customers may notice a smell or taste of chlorine for the next 48 hours. Again, this is not a health threat. Customers concerned about drinking tap water with chlorine please contact the District at 258-2171. People with tropical fish should not add to or replace tank water for the next 48 hours or until tests show the chlorine level to be below trace amounts. We expect levels of chlorine to be less than 2.0 parts per million during this process. The District will continue testing water samples from the distribution system until there are no total coliform bacteria detected.

The CPUD office is open from 8:00am -4:30pm Monday thru Friday for any questions.