

**PUBLIC NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS OF
WHITEMAN AIR FORCE BASE
FAILURE TO MEET MICROBIOLOGICAL MONITORING
REQUIREMENTS FOR DRINKING WATER**

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable. Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

In **March 2025**, Whiteman Air Force Base did not properly complete all monitoring or testing requirements for total coliform bacteria. Coliform bacteria are rod-shaped organisms that are present in the environment and are often used as an indicator for testing drinking water quality. This failure to meet testing requirements was due to a procedural change in the nomenclature process of the samples, not due to testing results. One result was not received by the state for analysis due to sampling performed on an inactive site. Therefore, an accurate picture of the quality of our drinking water during the month of March could not be ascertained. This is a violation of Missouri Public Drinking Water Regulations, and you as a customer have the right to know. We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis, and the results from regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. Please see below for a detailed explanation of the error.

Cause of monitoring failure:

Due to a change in the nomenclature of one of the samples taken, only 9 of the 10 drinking water samples that we are required to provide to the state for analysis every month were considered delivered. Every month, 10 samples must be collected in order to satisfy Missouri potable water regulations. To prevent this error from recurring, we are improving our process to correctly label all samples prior to shipping them to laboratory. Finally, it is important to note that prior to, and following this incident, **all sample results have been negative for total coliform bacteria.**

For more information, please contact the water system staff member indicated below:

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_____	at _____	or _____
(Name of water system contact)	(Phone number)	(Mailing address)

Additionally, you may contact the department's Kansas City Regional Office at 816-251-0700 or Public Drinking Water Branch at 573-526-6925.

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