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RE: MPUD PFAS Treatment Feasibility Study and What Customers Can Expect

Dear MPUD Customer,

We are writing to share an update on the steps Mariposa Public Utility District (MPUD) is taking to address per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS, commonly referred to as “forever chemicals”) in your drinking water.

Background

In 2024, the State of California began requiring some public water systems to test their active drinking water sources for certain PFAS compounds. As part of this testing, MPUD found PFAS in one of MPUD’s four groundwater wells at concentrations that exceed new and upcoming regulatory limits. Since then, MPUD has taken several steps to protect public health and plan for a long-term solution. These steps include increasing its water quality testing, providing water quality notifications and guidance to customers served by the impacted well, and working closely with the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) to identify a safe, reliable long-term solution.

Copies of customer notifications are available on the MPUD website at www.mariposapud.org/pfas-public-notifications.

What is happening now?

MPUD has received assistance from the SWRCB to complete a Feasibility Study. This study is being completed by SWRCB’s Technical Assistance Provider, Stantec Consulting Services, at no cost to MPUD or its customers, and is expected to be completed in December 2026. The purpose of the study is to identify long-term solutions for addressing PFAS in MPUD’s drinking water. The study will evaluate several options, including installing Ion Exchange (IX) and Granular Activated Carbon (GAC) treatment, the feasibility of constructing a new groundwater well and connecting to a nearby water system. Each option will be evaluated based on how well it removes PFAS, its long-term reliability, and its estimated cost.

After the study is complete, MPUD and Stantec Consulting Services will present the findings at a public Board meeting where customers will have an opportunity to learn about the findings and ask questions. MPUD will use the results of the study, along with community feedback to help determine the next steps, including funding, design, and construction of a long-term solution.

Staying informed and involved

Once a public Board meeting has been scheduled, MPUD will notify customers ahead of the meeting where feasibility study results will be presented, and customers will have an opportunity to learn more and ask questions. In the meantime, customers are encouraged to review MPUD's PFAS Information page for current notices, fact sheets, and resources: www.mariposapud.org/pfas-information.

Please note that this update does not replace required public notices, which will continue to provide the latest water quality information and guidance.

Questions?

If you have questions about the feasibility study or would like additional information, please contact Susan Wages at 209-966-2515 or P.O. Box 494, Mariposa, CA 95338.

This notice is being sent to you by the Mariposa Public Utility District.

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