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On May 29, 2018, the City of
Fountain obtained water samples at
the Aga Park treatment facility in
preparation for introducing filtered
water to our drinking water system.
Eurofins Eaton Analytical, a
laboratory certified by the
Environmental Protection Agency
(EPA) authorized to test for
Perfluorinated Compounds (PFCs),
processed the samples and issued
laboratory results on June 1, 2018.

The lab report confirmed that the level of contaminants are at non-detectable levels, meaning that the filtered groundwater contains less than 2 parts per trillion (ppt), well below the Health Advisory Level of 70-ppt established by the EPA and adopted by the State of Colorado Department of Health and Environmental (CDPHE).

With the introduction of treated groundwater into our drinking water system on June 18, 2018, I reflect on this historic moment for our community. It is a profoundly successful one due, in large part, to the support of our community, and the collaboration between City staff, the United States Air Force, and national and state leadership.

As we continue to navigate this complex issue, we uphold our commitment to transparency and clarity. We will be obtaining water samples weekly at the Aga Park treatment facility to test PFC levels to verify our filtered groundwater is safe. These certified laboratory results will posted on our website to view and download.

This month, we will also be starting the second set of treatment filters, located near the Fountain Library. Both of these units will provide up to fifteen-percent (15%) of our water supply on summer days, when demand is at its peak.

I would be remiss if I didn't address the questions being raised about the federal Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) report release last month, outlining their assessment of PFCs (like the ones discovered in our groundwater). ATSDR's assessment suggests a Minimum Risk Level (MRL) of 7-ppt for PFOS and 11-ppt for PFOA; much lower than the current EPA limit. Historically, MRLs have not been considered when setting health advisories, but there has never been an issue of this magnitude related to our drinking water. We will continue to stay engaged with this issue and provide you with the latest information related to your drinking water.

Sampling Point: Aga Park (Lead Pod)

Analyte ID#		EEA Methods				
	Analyte	Method	Reg Limit	MRL†	Result	Units
375-73-5	Perfluorobutanesulfonic acid (PFBS)	537		2.0	< 2.0	ng/L
375-85-9	Perfluoroheptanoic acid (PFHpA)	537		2.0	< 2.0	ng/L
355-46-4	Perfluorohexanesulfonic acid (PFHxS)	537		2.0	< 2.0	ng/L
375-95-1	Perfluorononanoic acid (PFNA)	537		2.0	< 2.0	ng/L
1763-23-1	Perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS)	537		2.0	< 2.0	ng/L
335-67-1	Perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA)	537		2.0	< 2.0	ng/L

Excerpt from Eurofins Eaton Analytical Laboratory Report dated June 1, 2018.

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WE CAN HELP

Let us help you reduce the stress on move day! Follow our useful tips to help you through the process of disconnecting or transferring your utility service when moving day approaches:

• Schedule the disconnect or transfer of service at least one business day in advance. If you forget to disconnect services, you may be liable for charges incurred by new tenants or owners.

> If your move-out date is on a weekend or holiday, schedule your request for the following business day. Our office is unable to disconnect or transfer service outside of normal business hours.

> > Provide a forwarding address. This allows us to send your final bill or refund to your new address.



Tap Into Tips!

July Watering Schedule

Water each zone for the amount of time provided in the chart, three times a day, two days a week, allowing the water to soak in for at least one hour between cycles. To reduce moisture loss from evaporation, water before 10am and after 7pm. Recommended watering times may vary dependent on weather. Remember to monitor your lawn health and adjust watering accordingly.



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