

2020 Water Quality Report to Member Agencies—The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California Treatment Plant Effluents and Distribution System

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Percent State Water Project	%	NA	NA	NA	Range Average	0 - 94 9	100	100	0 - 84 32	0 - 90 10		Not applicable
PRIMARY STANDARDS—Mandatory Health-Related Standards												
CLARITY												
Combined Filter Effluent (CFE) Turbidity	(a) NTU %	TT	NA	NA	Highest % <= 0.3	0.04 100	0.04 100	0.09 100	0.09 100	0.04 100		Soil runoff
MICROBIOLOGICAL (b)												
Total Coliform Bacteria	(c) % Positive Monthly Samples	5.0	MCLG = 0	NA	Range Average	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	0 - 0.1 0	Naturally present in the environment
<i>Escherichia coli</i> (<i>E. coli</i>)	(d) Number	1	MCLG = 0	NA	Number of Positive Samples	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	Human and animal fecal waste
Heterotrophic Plate Count (HPC) Bacteria	(e) CFU/mL	TT	NA	(1)	Median Range Median	ND - 1 ND	ND - 3 ND	ND - 1 ND	ND - 1 ND	ND		Naturally present in the environment
<i>Cryptosporidium</i>	oocysts/200 L	TT	MCLG = 0	(1)	Range Average	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND		Human and animal fecal waste
<i>Giardia</i>	cysts/200 L	TT	MCLG = 0	(1)	Range Average	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND		Human and animal fecal waste
ORGANIC CHEMICALS												
Synthetic Organic Compounds (SOC) (f)												
1,2,3-Trichloropropane (1,2,3-TCP)	ppt	5	0.7	5	Range Average	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND		Discharge from industrial and agricultural factories; byproduct of producing other compounds and pesticides; leaching from hazardous waste sites
2,4,5-TP (Silvex)	ppb	50	3	1	Range Average	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND		Residue of banned herbicide
2,4-D	ppb	70	20	10	Range Average	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND		Runoff from herbicide used on row crops, rangeland, lawns, and aquatic weeds
Acrylamide	ppm	TT	MCLG = 0	NA	Range Average	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA		Water treatment chemical impurities
Alachlor	ppb	2	4	1	Range Average	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND		Runoff from herbicide used on row crops
Atrazine	ppb	1	0.15	0.5	Range Average	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND		Runoff from herbicide used on row crops and along railroad and highway right-of-ways
Bentazon	ppb	18	200	2	Range Average	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND		Runoff/leaching from herbicide used on beans, peppers, corn, peanuts, rice, and ornamental grasses
Benzo(a)pyrene	ppt	200	7	100	Range Average	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND		Leaching from linings and coatings of water storage tanks and distribution mains
Carbofuran	ppb	18	0.7	5	Range Average	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND		Leaching of soil fumigant used on rice, alfalfa, and grape vineyards
Chlordane	ppt	100	30	100	Range Average	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND		Residue of banned insecticide
Dalapon	ppb	200	790	10	Range Average	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND		Runoff from herbicide used on right-of-ways, and crops and landscape maintenance
Di(2-ethylhexyl)adipate	ppb	400	200	5	Range Average	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND		Discharge from chemical factories
Di(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate	ppb	4	12	3	Range Average	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND		Discharge from rubber and chemical factories; inert ingredient in pesticides
Dibromochloropropane (DBCP)	ppt	200	1.7	10	Range Average	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND		Banned nematocide that may still be present in soils due to runoff/leaching
Dinoseb	ppb	7	14	2	Range Average	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND		Runoff from herbicide used on soybeans, vegetables, and fruits
Dioxin (2,3,7,8-TCDD)	ppq	30	0.05	5	Range Average	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND		Waste incineration emissions; chemical factory discharge
Diquat	ppb	20	6	4	Range Average	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND		Runoff from herbicide used for terrestrial and aquatic weeds

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Endothall	ppb	100	94	45	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Runoff from herbicide used for terrestrial and aquatic weeds; defoliant
Endrin	ppb	2	0.3	0.1	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Residue of banned insecticide and rodenticide
Epichlorohydrin	ppm	TT	MCLG = 0	NA	Range Average	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		Water treatment chemical impurities
Ethylene Dibromide (EDB)	ppt	50	10	20	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Petroleum refinery discharges; underground gas tank leaks; banned nematocide that maybe still present in soils due to runoff and leaching
Glyphosate	ppb	700	900	25	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Runoff from herbicide use
Heptachlor	ppt	10	8	10	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Residue of banned insecticide
Heptachlor Epoxide	ppt	10	6	10	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Breakdown product of heptachlor
Hexachlorobenzene	ppb	1	0.03	0.5	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Discharge from metal refineries and agrichemicals factories; wastewater chlorination reaction byproduct
Hexachlorocyclopentadiene	ppb	50	2	1	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Discharge from chemical factories
Lindane	ppt	200	32	200	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Runoff/leaching from insecticide used on cattle, lumber, and gardens
Methoxychlor	ppb	30	0.09	10	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Runoff/leaching from insecticide uses on fruits, vegetables, alfalfa, and livestock
Molinate (Ordram)	ppb	20	1	2	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Runoff/leaching from herbicide used on rice
Oxamyl (Vydate)	ppb	50	26	20	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Runoff/leaching from insecticide uses
Pentachlorophenol	ppb	1	0.3	0.2	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Discharge from wood preserving factories other insecticidal and herbicidal uses
Picloram	ppb	500	166	1	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Herbicide runoff
Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs)	ppt	500	90	500	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Runoff from landfills; discharge of waste chemicals
Simazine	ppb	4	4	1	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Herbicide runoff
Thiobencarb	ppb	70	42	1	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Runoff/leaching from herbicide used on rice
Toxaphene	ppb	3	0.03	1	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Runoff/leaching from insecticide used on cotton and cattle
Volatile Organic Compounds												
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	ppb	200	1,000	0.5	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Metal degreasing site discharge; manufacture of food wrappings
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	ppb	1	0.1	0.5	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Discharge from industrial and agrichemical factories; solvent used in production of TCE, pesticides, varnish, and lacquers
1,1,2-Trichloro-1,2,2-trifluoroethane (Freon-113)	ppm	1.2	4	0.01	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Discharge from metal degreasing sites and other factories; dry cleaning solvent; refrigerant
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	ppb	5	0.3	0.5	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Discharge from industrial chemical factories
1,1-Dichloroethane	ppb	5	3	0.5	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Extraction and degreasing solvent; fumigant
1,1-Dichloroethylene	ppb	6	10	0.5	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Discharge from industrial chemical factories
1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene	ppb	5	5	0.5	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Discharge from textile-finishing factories
1,2-Dichlorobenzene	ppb	600	600	0.5	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Discharge from industrial chemical factories
1,2-Dichloroethane	ppt	500	400	500	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Discharge from industrial chemical factories

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1,2-Dichloropropane	ppb	5	0.5	0.5	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Industrial chemical factory discharge; primary component of some fumigants
1,3-Dichloropropene	ppt	500	200	500	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Runoff/leaching from nematocide used on croplands
1,4-Dichlorobenzene	ppb	5	6	0.5	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Discharge from industrial chemical factories
Benzene	ppb	1	0.15	0.5	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Plastics factory discharge; gas tanks and landfill leaching
Carbon Tetrachloride	ppt	500	100	500	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Discharge from chemical plants and other industrial wastes
cis-1,2-Dichloroethylene	ppb	6	100	0.5	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Industrial chemical factory discharge; byproduct of TCE and PCE biodegradation
Dichloromethane (Methylene Chloride)	ppb	5	4	0.5	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Discharge from pharmaceutical and chemical factories; insecticide
Ethylbenzene	ppb	300	300	0.5	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Petroleum refinery discharge; industrial chemical factories
Methyl-tert-butyl ether (MTBE)	ppb	13	13	3	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Gasoline discharge from watercraft engines
Monochlorobenzene	ppb	70	70	0.5	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Discharge from industrial and agricultural factories, and dry cleaners
Styrene	ppb	100	0.5	0.5	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Rubber and plastics factories discharge; landfill leaching
Tetrachloroethylene (PCE)	ppb	5	0.06	0.5	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Discharge from factories, dry cleaners, and auto shops
Toluene	ppb	150	150	0.5	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Discharge from petroleum and chemical refineries
trans-1,2-Dichloroethylene	ppb	10	60	0.5	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Industrial chemical factory discharge; byproduct of TCE and PCE biodegradation
Trichloroethylene (TCE)	ppb	5	1.7	0.5	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Discharge from metal degreasing sites and other factories
Trichlorofluoromethane (Freon-11)	ppb	150	1,300	5	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Industrial factory discharge; degreasing solvent; propellant and refrigerant
Vinyl Chloride	ppt	500	50	500	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Leaching from PVC piping; plastic factory discharge; byproduct of TCE and PCE biodegradation
Xylenes	ppm	1,750	1.8	0.0005	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Discharge from petroleum and chemical refineries; fuel solvent
INORGANIC CHEMICALS												
Aluminum	(g) ppb	1,000	600	50	Range Highest RAA	ND - 260 137	ND - 220 116	ND - 93 ND	ND - 200 108	80 - 210 149		Residue from water treatment process; runoff and leaching from natural deposits
Antimony	ppb	6	1	6	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Petroleum refinery discharges; fire retardants; solder; electronics
Arsenic	ppb	10	0.004	2	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Natural deposits erosion, glass and electronics production wastes
Asbestos	(h) MFL	7	7	0.2	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Asbestos cement pipes internal corrosion; runoff and leaching from natural deposits
Barium	ppb	1,000	2,000	100	Range Average	107	ND	ND	ND	105		Oil and metal refineries discharge; natural deposits erosion
Beryllium	ppb	4	1	1	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Discharge from metal refineries, aerospace, and defense industries
Cadmium	ppb	5	0.04	1	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Internal corrosion of galvanized pipes; discharge from electroplating, industrial factories, and metal refineries; runoff from waste batteries and paints; natural deposits erosion
Chromium	ppb	50	MCLG = 100	10	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Discharge from steel and pulp mills; natural deposits erosion
Copper	(i) ppm	AL = 1.3	0.3	0.05	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Internal corrosion of household pipes; runoff and leaching from natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
Cyanide	ppb	150	150	100	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Discharge from steel/metal, plastic, and fertilizer factories

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Fluoride (j)	ppm	2.0	1	0.1	Range	0.5 - 0.9	0.4 - 0.8	0.1 - 0.9	0.6 - 0.9	0.6 - 0.8	0.2 - 0.9	Runoff and leaching from natural deposits; water additive that promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
					Average	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.7	
Lead	ppb	AL = 15	0.2	5	Range	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Internal corrosion of household water plumbing systems; industrial manufacturers' discharge; runoff and leaching from natural deposits
					Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		
Mercury	ppb	2	1.2	1	Range	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Erosion of natural deposits; factory discharge; landfill runoff
					Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		
Nickel	ppb	100	12	10	Range	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Erosion of natural deposits; discharge from metal factories
					Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		
Nitrate (as Nitrogen)	ppm	10	10	0.4	Range	ND	ND	0.6	ND	ND		Runoff and leaching from fertilizer use; septic tank and sewage; natural deposits erosion
					Average	ND	ND	0.6	ND	ND		
Nitrite (as Nitrogen)	ppm	1	1	0.4	Range	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Runoff and leaching from fertilizer use; septic tank and sewage; natural deposits erosion
					Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		
Perchlorate	ppb	6	1	4	Range	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Industrial waste discharge
					Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		
Selenium	ppb	50	30	5	Range	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Refineries, mines, and chemical waste discharge; runoff from livestock lots
					Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		
Thallium	ppb	2	0.1	1	Range	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Leaching from ore processing; discharge from electronics, glass, and pharmaceutical factories
					Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		
RADIOLOGICALS												
Gross Alpha Particle Activity	pCi/L	15	MCLG = 0	3	Range	ND - 3	ND	ND - 4	ND - 3	ND		Runoff/leaching from natural deposits
					Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		
Gross Beta Particle Activity	pCi/L	50	MCLG = 0	4	Range	ND - 7	ND	ND - 4	ND - 5	ND - 6		Decay of natural and man-made deposits
					Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	4		
Radium-226	pCi/L	NA	0.05	1	Range	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Erosion of natural deposits
					Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		
Radium-228	pCi/L	NA	0.019	1	Range	ND	ND	ND	ND - 1	ND - 2		Erosion of natural deposits
					Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		
Combined Radium-226 + 228	pCi/L	5	MCLG = 0	NA	Range	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Erosion of natural deposits
					Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		
Strontium-90	pCi/L	8	0.35	2	Range	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Decay of natural and man-made deposits
					Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		
Tritium	pCi/L	20,000	400	1,000	Range	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Decay of natural and man-made deposits
					Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		
Uranium	pCi/L	20	0.43	1	Range	1 - 3	ND - 3	ND - 2	ND - 2	1 - 3		Erosion of natural deposits
					Average	2	ND	ND	2	2		
DISINFECTION BYPRODUCTS, DISINFECTANT RESIDUALS, AND DISINFECTION BYPRODUCT PRECURSORS (k)												
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM) (Plant Core Locations and Distribution System)	ppb	80	NA	1.0	Range	19 - 27	12 - 17	14 - 22	13 - 24	20 - 26	10 - 31	Byproduct of drinking water chlorination
					Highest LRAA	25	14	18	23	24	32	
Sum of Five Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) (Plant Core Locations and Distribution System)	ppb	60	NA	1.0	Range	1.8 - 8.0	1.9 - 4.9	2.2 - 14	3.5 - 12	3.3 - 7.3	1.1 - 14	Byproduct of drinking water chlorination
					Highest LRAA	5.9	4.6	9.1	8.5	6.2	9.1	
Total Chlorine Residual	ppm	MRDL = 4.0	MRDLG = 4.0	(0.05)	Range						1.4 - 3.0	Drinking water disinfectant added for treatment
					Highest RAA						2.4	
Bromate (l)	ppb	10	0.1	1.0	Range	ND - 1.3	1.4 - 6.0	ND - 12	ND - 5.6	ND - 4.2		Byproduct of drinking water ozonation
					Highest RAA	1.9	4.4	4.3	2.5	2.0		
Total Organic Carbon (TOC)	ppm	TT	NA	0.30	Range	2.2 - 2.7	1.8 - 2.3	1.7 - 3.1	1.9 - 2.6	2.1 - 2.6		Various natural and man-made sources; TOC is a precursor for the formation of disinfection byproducts
					Highest RAA	2.4	2.2	2.1	2.3	2.4		
SECONDARY STANDARDS—Aesthetic Standards												
Aluminum (g)	ppb	200	600	50	Range	ND - 260	ND - 220	ND - 93	ND - 200	80 - 210		Residue from water treatment process; runoff and leaching from natural deposits
					Highest RAA	137	116	ND	108	149		
Chloride	ppm	500	NA	NA	Range	93 - 94	51 - 54	60 - 62	81 - 92	93		Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; seawater influence
					Average	94	52	61	86	93		
Color	Color Units	15	NA	NA	Range	1	1 - 3	1 - 3	1 - 2	1		Naturally-occurring organic materials
					Average	1	2	2	2	1		
Copper (i)	ppm	1.0	0.3	0.05	Range	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Internal corrosion of household pipes; runoff/leaching from natural deposits; wood preservatives leaching
					Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		
Foaming Agents - Methylene Blue Active Substances (MBAS)	ppb	500	NA	NA	Range	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Municipal and industrial waste discharges
					Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		

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Iron	ppb	300	NA	100	Range Average	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND		Leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes
Manganese	ppb	50	NL = 500	20	Range Average	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND		Leaching from natural deposits
MTBE	ppb	5	13	3	Range Average	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND		Gasoline discharge from watercraft engines
Odor Threshold	TON	3	NA	1	Range Average	2 2	2 2	2 2	2 2	2 2		Naturally-occurring organic materials
Silver	ppb	100	NA	10	Range Average	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND		Industrial discharges
Specific Conductance	µS/cm	1,600	NA	NA	Range Average	964 - 975 970	451 - 468 460	439 - 455 447	796 - 956 876	963 - 968 966		Substances that form ions in water; seawater influence
Sulfate	ppm	500	NA	0.5	Range Average	215 - 217 216	53 - 56 54	41 - 43 42	152 - 208 180	211 - 215 213		Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes
Thiobencarb	ppb	1	42	1	Range Average	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND		Runoff/leaching from rice herbicide
Total Dissolved Solids, Filterable (TDS) (m)	ppm	1,000	NA	NA	Range Average	582 - 603 592	255 - 264 260	240 - 255 248	472 - 588 530	587 - 593 590		Runoff/leaching from natural deposits
Turbidity	NTU	5	NA	0.1	Range Average	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND		Soil runoff
Zinc	ppm	5.0	NA	0.05	Range Average	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND		Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes
OTHER PARAMETERS												
General Minerals												
Alkalinity (as CaCO ₃)	ppm	NA	NA	(1)	Range Average	117 - 120 118	79 - 86 82	75 - 76 76	105 - 121 113	118 - 119 118		Runoff/leaching of natural deposits; carbonate, bicarbonate, hydroxide, and occasionally borate, silicate, and phosphate
Calcium	ppm	NA	NA	(0.1)	Range Average	65 - 67 66	25 - 27 26	21 - 22 22	52 - 72 62	65 65		Runoff/leaching from natural deposits
Hardness (as CaCO ₃)	ppm	NA	NA	(1)	Range Average	261 - 269 265	107 - 110 108	84 - 94 89	211 - 273 242	256 - 268 262		Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; sum of polyvalent cations, generally magnesium and calcium present in the water
Magnesium	ppm	NA	NA	(0.01)	Range Average	25 - 26 26	11 - 12 12	9.7 - 10 9.8	20 - 26 23	25 - 26 26		Runoff/leaching from natural deposits
Potassium	ppm	NA	NA	(0.2)	Range Average	4.5 - 4.7 4.6	2.5 - 2.6 2.6	2.5 2.5	4.0 - 4.8 4.4	4.5 - 4.6 4.6		Salt present in the water; naturally-occurring
Sodium	ppm	NA	NA	(1)	Range Average	93 - 98 96	46 - 48 47	51 - 55 53	76 - 98 87	93 - 97 95		Salt present in the water; naturally-occurring
Unregulated Contaminants												
Boron	ppb	NL = 1,000	NA	100	Range Average	130 130	170 170	140 140	130 130	130 130		Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes
Chlorate	ppb	NL = 800	NA	20	Range Average	69 69	27 27	27 27	34 34	76 76		Byproduct of drinking water chlorination; industrial processes
Chromium VI	ppb	NA	0.02	1	Range Average	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND		Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; discharge from industrial wastes
Vanadium	ppb	NL = 50	NA	3	Range Average	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND		Naturally-occurring; industrial waste discharge
Dichlorodifluoromethane (Freon-12)	ppb	NL = 1,000	NA	0.5	Range Average	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND		Industrial waste discharge
N-Nitrosodimethylamine (NDMA)	ppt	NL = 10	3	(2)	Range	3.1	2.0	2.5	4.2	ND	ND - 5.2	Byproduct of drinking water chloramination; industrial processes
Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) (n, o)												
Perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA)	ppt	NL = 5.1	NA	4	Range Average	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND		Industrial chemical factory discharges; runoff/leaching from landfills; used in fire-retarding foams and various industrial processes
Perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS)	ppt	NL = 6.5	NA	4	Range Average	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND		
Perfluorononanoic acid (PFNA)	ppt	NA	NA	4	Range Average	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND		

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Perfluorohexanesulfonic acid (PFHxS)	ppt	NA	NA	4	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		
Perfluoroheptanoic acid (PFHpA)	ppt	NA	NA	4	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		
Perfluorobutanesulfonic acid (PFBS)	ppt	NA	NA	4	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		
Perfluorodecanoic acid (PFDA)	ppt	NA	NA	4	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		
Perfluorododecanoic acid (PFDoA)	ppt	NA	NA	4	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		
Perfluorohexanoic acid (PFHxA)	ppt	NA	NA	4	Range Average	ND	2.5	2.6	ND	ND		
Perfluorotetradecanoic acid (PFTeDA)	ppt	NA	NA	4	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		
Perfluorotridecanoic acid (PFTrDA)	ppt	NA	NA	4	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		
Perfluoroundecanoic acid (PFUnA)	ppt	NA	NA	4	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		
4,8-dioxa-3H-perfluorononanoate (ADONA)	ppt	NA	NA	2	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		
F-53B Major (11Cl-PF3OUdS)	ppt	NA	NA	2	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		
F-53B Minor (9Cl-PF3ONS)	ppt	NA	NA	2	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		
GenX (HFPO-DA)	ppt	NA	NA	4	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		
N-ethyl Perfluorooctanesulfonamidoacetic acid	ppt	NA	NA	4	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		
N-methyl Perfluorooctanesulfonamidoacetic acid	ppt	NA	NA	4	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		
Miscellaneous (o)												
Calcium Carbonate Precipitation Potential (CCPP) (as CaCO ₃)	(p)	ppm	NA	NA	NA	Range	2.6 - 11	1.1 - 3.4	0.85 - 2.2	0.78 - 11	3.3 - 9.9	Elemental balance in water; affected by temperature, other factors
						Average	8.1	2.2	1.6	6.4	7.4	
Corrosivity (as Aggressiveness Index)	(q)	AI	NA	NA	NA	Range	12.3 - 12.4	12.1 - 12.2	11.9 - 12.1	12.3 - 12.5	12.4	Elemental balance in water; affected by temperature, other factors
						Average	12.4	12.1	12.0	12.4		
Corrosivity (as Saturation Index)	(r)	SI	NA	NA	NA	Range	0.49 - 0.69	0.32 - 0.48	0.27 - 0.28	0.39 - 0.73	0.48 - 0.65	Elemental balance in water; affected by temperature, other factors
						Average	0.59	0.40	0.28	0.56	0.56	
pH	pH Units	NA	NA	NA	NA	Range	8.1	8.4	8.3 - 8.5	8.1	8.1	Not applicable
						Average			8.4			
Radon	pCi/L	NA	NA	100	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Gas produced by the decay of naturally-occurring uranium in soil and water	
Total Dissolved Solids, Calculated (TDS)	(s)	ppm	1,000	NA	NA	Range	402 - 595	248 - 273	244 - 295	334 - 612	450 - 599	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits
						Average	563	258	263	475	565	
Ethyl- <i>tert</i> -butyl ether (ETBE)	ppb	NA	NA	3	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Used as gasoline additive	
<i>tert</i> -Amyl-methyl ether (TAME)	ppb	NA	NA	3	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Used as gasoline additive	

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Parameter	Units	State (Federal) MCL	PHG	State DLR/CCRDL (RL)	Range Average	Treatment Plant Effluent *					Distribution System	Major Sources in Drinking Water
						Diemer Plant	Jensen Plant	Mills Plant	Skinner Plant	Weymouth Plant		
Sum of Five Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	(t)	60	NA	1.0	Range	1.1 - 4.0	1.4 - 3.0	2.1 - 7.6	2.9 - 8.6	3.4 - 5.7		Byproduct of drinking water chlorination
					Average	2.5	2.5	5.7	6.2	4.5		
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	(t)	80	NA	1.0	Range	13 - 32	8.2 - 22	12 - 29	11 - 40	15 - 36		Byproduct of drinking water chlorination
					Average	22	11	18	19	22		

DEFINITION OF TERMS AND FOOTNOTES

* As a wholesale water system, Metropolitan provides its member agencies with relevant source water information and monitoring results that they may need for their annual water quality report. Metropolitan's compliance with state or federal regulations is determined at the treatment plant effluent locations and/or distribution system, or plant influent per frequency stipulated in Metropolitan's state-approved monitoring plan, and is based on TT, RAA, or LRAA, as appropriate. Data above Metropolitan's laboratory reporting limit (RL) but below the state DLR are reported as ND in this report; these data are available upon request. Metropolitan was in compliance with all primary and secondary drinking water regulations for the current monitoring period.

Note: Metropolitan monitors the distribution system for constituents under the revised Total Coliform Rule (TCR), Water Fluoridation Standards, and Disinfectants/Disinfection Byproducts Rule (TTHMs, HAA5, and total chlorine residual). Constituents with grayed out areas in the distribution system column are routinely monitored at treatment plant effluents and not in the distribution system.

Definition of Terms

AI	Aggressiveness Index	MCL	Maximum Contaminant Level	ppt	Parts per trillion or nanograms per liter (ng/L)
AL	Action Level	MCLG	Maximum Contaminant Level Goal	RAA	Running Annual Average; highest RAA is the highest of all
Average	Arithmetic mean	MFL	Million Fibers per Liter		running Annual Averages calculated as an average of all the
CaCO ₃	Calcium Carbonate	MRDL	Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level		samples collected within a 12-month period
CCPP	Calcium Carbonate Precipitation Potential	MRDLG	Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal	Range	Results based on minimum and maximum values; range
CCRDL	Consumer Confidence Report Detection Level	NA	Not Applicable		and average values are the same if a single value is reported
CFE	Combined Filter Effluent	ND	Not Detected at or above DLR or RL		for samples collected once or twice annually
CFU	Colony-Forming Units	NL	Notification Level to SWRCB	RL	Reporting Limit
DLR	Detection Limits for Purposes of Reporting	NTU	Nephelometric Turbidity Units	SI	Saturation Index (Langelier)
HAA5	Sum of five haloacetic acids	pCi/L	PicoCuries per Liter	SWRCB	State Water Resources Control Board
HPC	Heterotrophic Plate Count	PFAS	Per- and polyfluoralkyl substances	TDS	Total Dissolved Solids
LRAA	Locational Running Annual Average; highest LRAA is the highest of all Locational Running Annual Averages calculated as an average of all samples collected within a 12-month period	PHG	Public Health Goal	TON	Threshold Odor Number
		ppb	parts per billion or micrograms per liter (µg/L)	TT	Treatment Technique is a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water
		ppm	parts per million or milligrams per liter (mg/L)		
		ppq	parts per quadrillion or picograms per liter (pg/L)	TTHM	Total Trihalomethanes
				µS/cm	MicroSiemen per centimeter

Footnotes

- (a) Metropolitan monitors turbidity at the CFE locations using continuous and grab samples. Turbidity, a measure of cloudiness of the water, is an indicator of treatment performance. Turbidity was in compliance with the TT primary drinking water standard and the secondary drinking water standard of less than 5 NTU.
- (b) Per the state's Surface Water Treatment Rule, treatment techniques that remove or inactivate *Giardia* cysts will also remove HPC bacteria, *Legionella*, and viruses. *Legionella* and virus monitoring is not required.
- (c) Compliance is based on monthly samples from treatment plant effluents and the distribution system.
- (d) The *E. coli* MCL is based on routine and repeat samples testing positive for coliforms and/or *E. coli*, failure to test for *E. coli*, or failure to analyze required repeat samples.
- (e) All distribution system samples had detectable total chlorine residuals, so no HPC bacteria analysis was required. Metropolitan monitors HPC bacteria to ensure treatment process efficacy.
- (f) Acrylamide and epichlorohydrins are monitored annually. All other SOC data were collected in 2018 and reported once every three-year compliance cycle until the next required triennial monitoring in 2021.
- (g) Compliance with the state MCL for aluminum is based on RAA. No exceedances occurred in the Diemer, Jensen, Mills, Skinner, and Weymouth plant effluents.
- (h) Data collected in 2020 and reported once every nine-year compliance cycle, until the next samples are collected in 2029.
- (i) As a wholesaler, Metropolitan has no retail customers and is not required to collect samples at consumers' taps. However, compliance monitoring under Title 22 is required at plant effluents.
- (j) Metropolitan was in compliance with all provisions of the State's fluoridation system requirements. Fluoride feed systems were temporarily out of service during treatment plant shutdowns and/or maintenance work in 2020, resulting in occasional fluoride levels below 0.7 mg/L.
- (k) Compliance with the state and federal MCLs is based on RAA or LRAA, as appropriate. Plant core locations for TTHM and HAA5 are service connections specific to each of the treatment plant effluents.
- (l) Compliance with the state and federal bromate MCL is based on RAA. No exceedances occurred in the Diemer, Jensen, Mills, Skinner, and Weymouth plant effluents.
- (m) Metropolitan's TDS compliance data are based on flow-weighted monthly composite samples collected twice per year (April and October). The 12-month statistical summary of flow-weighted data is reported in "Other Parameters".
- (n) All PFAS monitoring results were below the SWRCB established CCRDLs. PFAS results below the laboratory minimum reporting level (MRL) of 2.0 ppt are reported as "ND".
- (o) Data are from voluntary monitoring of constituents and are provided for informational purposes.
- (p) Positive CCPP = non-corrosive; tendency to precipitate and/or deposit scale on pipes. Negative CCPP = corrosive; tendency to dissolve calcium carbonate. Reference: Standard Methods (SM2330)
- (q) AI >= 12.0 = Non-aggressive water; AI 10.0-11.9 = Moderately aggressive water; AI <= 10.0 = Highly aggressive water. Reference: ANSI/AWWA Standard C400-93 (R98)
- (r) Positive SI = non-corrosive; tendency to precipitate and/or deposit scale on pipes. Negative SI = corrosive; tendency to dissolve calcium carbonate. Reference: Standard Methods (SM2330)
- (s) Statistical summary represents 12 months of flow-weighted data and values may be different than the TDS reported to meet compliance with secondary drinking water regulations. Metropolitan's calculated TDS goal is ≤ 500 mg/L.
- (t) HAA5 and TTHMs noncompliance samples collected at treatment plant effluents.

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Parameter	Units	Range Average	Source Water *							Major Sources in Drinking Water
			Diamond Valley Lake	Lake Skinner	Lake Havasu	Lake Mathews	Castaic Lake	Lake Perris	Silverwood Lake	
Percent State Water Project	%	Range Average	100	0 - 82 34	0	0	100	100	100	Not applicable
ORGANIC CHEMICALS										
Synthetic Organic Compounds (a)										
1,2,3-Trichloropropane (1,2,3-TCP)	ppt	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Discharge from industrial and agricultural factories; byproduct of producing other compounds and pesticides; leaching from hazardous waste sites
2,4,5-TP (Silvex)	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Residue of banned herbicide
2,4-D	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Runoff from herbicide used on row crops, rangeland, lawns, and aquatic weeds
Alachlor	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Runoff from herbicide used on row crops
Atrazine	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Runoff from herbicide used on row crops and along railroad and highway right-of-ways
Bentazon	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Runoff/leaching from herbicide used on beans, peppers, corn, peanuts, rice, and ornamental grasses
Benzo(a)pyrene	ppt	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Leaching from water storage tank linings and distribution lines
Carbofuran	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Leaching of soil fumigant used on rice, alfalfa, and grape vineyards
Chlordane	ppt	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Residue of banned insecticide
Dalapon	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Runoff from herbicide used on right-of-ways, and crops and landscape maintenance
Di(2-ethylhexyl)adipate	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Discharge from chemical factories
Di(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Discharge from rubber and chemical factories; inert ingredient in pesticides
Dibromochloropropane (DBCP)	ppt	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Banned nematocide that may still be present in soils due to runoff/leaching
Dinoseb	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Runoff from herbicide used on soybeans, vegetables, and fruits
Dioxin (2,3,7,8-TCDD)	ppq	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Waste incineration emissions; chemical factory discharge
Diquat	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Runoff from herbicide used for terrestrial and aquatic weeds
Endothall	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Runoff from herbicide used for terrestrial and aquatic weeds
Endrin	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Residue of banned insecticide and rodenticide

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			Diamond Valley Lake	Lake Skinner	Lake Havasu	Lake Mathews	Castaic Lake	Lake Perris	Silverwood Lake	
Ethylene Dibromide (EDB)	ppt	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Petroleum refinery discharges; underground gas tank leaks; banned nematocide that maybe still present in soils due to runoff and leaching
Glyphosate	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Runoff from herbicide use
Heptachlor	ppt	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Residue of banned insecticide
Heptachlor Epoxide	ppt	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Breakdown product of heptachlor
Hexachlorobenzene	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Discharge from metal refineries and agrichemicals factories; wastewater chlorination reaction byproduct
Hexachlorocyclopentadiene	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Discharge from chemical factories
Lindane	ppt	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Runoff/leaching from insecticide used on cattle, lumber, and gardens
Methoxychlor	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Runoff/leaching from insecticide uses on fruits, vegetables, alfalfa, and livestock
Molinate (Ordram)	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Runoff/leaching from herbicide used on rice
Oxamyl (Vydate)	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Runoff/leaching from insecticide uses
Pentachlorophenol	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Discharge from wood preserving factories other insecticidal and herbicidal uses
Picloram	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Herbicide runoff
Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs)	ppt	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Runoff from landfills; discharge of waste chemicals
Simazine	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Herbicide runoff
Thiobencarb	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Runoff/leaching from herbicide used on rice
Toxaphene	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Runoff/leaching from insecticide used on cotton and cattle
Volatle Organic Compounds										
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Metal degreasing site discharge; manufacture of food wrappings
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Discharge from industrial and agrichemical factories; solvent used in production of TCE, pesticides, varnish, and lacquers
1,1,2-Trichloro-1,2,2-trifluoroethane (Freon-113)	ppm	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Discharge from metal degreasing sites and other factories; dry cleaning solvent; refrigerant

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1,1,2-Trichloroethane	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Discharge from industrial chemical factories
1,1-Dichloroethane	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Extraction and degreasing solvent; fumigant
1,1-Dichloroethylene	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Discharge from industrial chemical factories
1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Discharge from textile-finishing factories
1,2-Dichlorobenzene	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Discharge from industrial chemical factories
1,2-Dichloroethane	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Discharge from industrial chemical factories
1,2-Dichloropropane	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Industrial chemical factory discharge; primary component of some fumigants
1,3-Dichloropropene	ppt	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Runoff/leaching from nematocide used on croplands
1,4-Dichlorobenzene	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Discharge from industrial chemical factories
Benzene	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Plastics factory discharge; gas tanks and landfill leaching
Carbon Tetrachloride	ppt	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Discharge from chemical plants and other industrial wastes
<i>cis</i> -1,2-Dichloroethylene	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Industrial chemical factory discharge; byproduct of TCE and PCE biodegradation
Dichloromethane (Methylene Chloride)	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Discharge from pharmaceutical and chemical factories
Ethylbenzene	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Petroleum refinery discharge; industrial chemical factories
Methyl- <i>tert</i> -butyl ether (MTBE)	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Gasoline discharge from watercraft engines
Monochlorobenzene	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Discharge from industrial and agricultural factories, and dry cleaners
Styrene	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Rubber and plastics factories discharge; landfill leaching
Tetrachloroethylene (PCE)	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Discharge from factories, dry cleaners, and auto shops
Toluene	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Discharge from petroleum and chemical refineries
<i>trans</i> -1,2-Dichloroethylene	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Industrial chemical factory discharge; byproduct of TCE and PCE biodegradation

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Trichloroethylene (TCE)	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Discharge from metal degreasing sites and other factories
Trichlorofluoromethane (Freon-11)	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Industrial factory discharge; degreasing solvent; propellant
Vinyl Chloride	ppt	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Leaching from PVC piping; plastic factory discharge; byproduct of TCE and PCE biodegradation
Xylenes	ppm	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Discharge from petroleum and chemical refineries; fuel solvent
INORGANIC CHEMICALS										
Aluminum	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	72	ND	ND	ND	Residue from water treatment process; natural deposits erosion
Antimony	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Petroleum refinery discharges; fire retardants; solder; electronics
Arsenic	ppb	Range Average	2.1	2.1	2.3	2.1	ND	ND	ND	Natural deposits erosion, glass and electronics production wastes
Asbestos (b)	MFL	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Asbestos cement pipes internal corrosion; natural deposits erosion
Barium	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	106	105	ND	ND	ND	Oil and metal refineries discharge; natural deposits erosion
Beryllium	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Discharge from metal refineries, aerospace, and defense industries
Cadmium	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Internal corrosion of galvanized pipes; discharge from electroplating, industrial factories, and metal refineries; runoff from waste batteries and paints; natural deposits
Chromium	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; natural deposits erosion
Copper	ppm	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Internal corrosion of household pipes; natural deposits erosion; leaching from wood preservatives
Cyanide	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Discharge from steel/metal, plastic, and fertilizer factories
Fluoride	ppm	Range Average	0.1	0.2 - 0.3 0.2	0.3	0.3	0.1 - 0.2 0.2	0.1	ND - 0.1 ND	Erosion of natural deposits; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Lead	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Internal corrosion of household water plumbing systems; industrial manufacturers' discharge; erosion of natural deposits
Mercury	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Erosion of natural deposits; factory discharge; landfill runoff
Nickel	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Erosion of natural deposits; discharge from metal factories
Nitrate (as Nitrogen)	ppm	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	0.5	Runoff and leaching from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tank and sewage; natural deposits erosion

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Nitrite (as Nitrogen)	ppm	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Runoff and leaching from fertilizer use; septic tank and sewage; natural deposits erosion
Perchlorate	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Industrial waste discharge
Selenium	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Refineries, mines, and chemical waste discharge; runoff from livestock lots
Thallium	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Leaching from ore processing; discharge from electronics, glass, and pharmaceutical factories
RADIOLOGICALS										
Gross Alpha Particle Activity	pCi/L	Range Average	ND	ND - 3.0 ND	ND - 3.6 ND	ND - 3.6 ND	ND	ND	ND - 5.0 ND	Erosion of natural deposits
Gross Beta Particle Activity	pCi/L	Range Average	ND - 4.4 ND	ND - 5.5 ND	4.7 - 6.7 5.5	4.8 - 7.7 6.0	ND	ND	ND	Decay of natural and man-made deposits
Radium-226	pCi/L	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Erosion of natural deposits
Radium-228	pCi/L	Range Average	ND	ND - 1.0 ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Erosion of natural deposits
Combined Radium-226 + 228	pCi/L	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Erosion of natural deposits
Strontium-90	pCi/L	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Decay of natural and man-made deposits
Tritium	pCi/L	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Decay of natural and man-made deposits
Uranium	pCi/L	Range Average	ND	1.4 - 2.6 1.9	2.5 - 2.8 2.7	2.8 - 3.4 3.0	ND - 1.4 1.1	1.3 - 1.4 1.4	1.2 - 3.1 2.1	Erosion of natural deposits
AESTHETIC PARAMETERS (c)										
Aluminum	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	72	ND	ND	ND	Residue from water treatment process; natural deposits erosion
Chloride	ppm	Range Average	65 - 69 67	77 - 88 82	86	91	47 - 51 49	74 - 80 77	56 - 59 58	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; seawater influence
Color	Color Units	Range Average	3 - 5 4	3	3 - 5 4	3	5 - 10 8	5 - 10 8	10	Naturally-occurring organic materials
Copper	ppm	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Internal corrosion of household pipes; natural deposits erosion; wood preservatives leaching
Foaming Agents - Methylene Blue Active Substances (MBAS)	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Municipal and industrial waste discharges
Iron	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	106	ND	ND	ND	Leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes
Manganese	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	27	Leaching from natural deposits

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MTBE	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Gasoline discharge from watercraft engines
Odor Threshold	TON	Range Average	2	7	7	10	3	9	5	Naturally-occurring organic materials
Silver	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Industrial discharges
Specific Conductance	µS/cm	Range Average	463 - 477 470	728 - 907 818	928 - 944 936	923 - 945 934	417 - 429 423	478 - 528 503	401 - 422 412	Substances that form ions in water; seawater influence
Sulfate	ppm	Range Average	44 - 47 46	142 - 199 170	206 - 212 209	214 - 215 214	49 - 51 50	40 - 42 41	34 - 38 36	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes
Thiobencarb	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Runoff/leaching from rice herbicide
Total Dissolved Solids (TDS)	ppm	Range Average	257 - 258 258	446 - 571 508	596 - 601 598	593 - 604 598	242 - 244 243	265 - 290 278	236 - 242 239	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits
Turbidity	NTU	Range Average	0.4 - 1.0 0.7	0.6 - 0.7 0.7	0.4 - 0.6 0.5	0.7 - 2.2 1.4	0.6 - 0.7 0.6	0.5 - 1.0 0.8	0.5 - 1.1 0.8	Soil runoff
Zinc	ppm	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes
OTHER PARAMETERS										
Microbiological										
Total Coliform Bacteria	MPN/100 mL	Range Median	6 - 4,100 49	40 - 20,000 440	23 - 140,000 690	20 - 3,700 440	NC	66 - 20,000 360	8 - 3,700 190	Naturally present in the environment
<i>Escherichia coli</i> (<i>E. coli</i>)	MPN/100 mL	Range Median	ND - 5 ND	ND - 7 1	ND - 6 ND	ND - 160 5	NC	ND - 83 1	ND - 10 3	Human and animal fecal waste
General Minerals										
Alkalinity (as CaCO ₃)	ppm	Range Average	74 - 79 76	110 - 129 120	132 - 134 133	122	75 - 76 76	83 - 90 86	79 - 80 80	Runoff/leaching of natural deposits; carbonate, bicarbonate, hydroxide, and occasionally borate, silicate, and phosphate
Calcium	ppm	Range Average	21 - 22 22	49 - 68 58	70 - 73 72	64	25 - 27 26	23 - 25 24	21	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits
Hardness (as CaCO ₃)	ppm	Range Average	94 - 99 96	196 - 252 224	264 - 277 270	254 - 255 254	109 - 111 110	100 - 102 101	80 - 91 86	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; sum of polyvalent cations, generally magnesium and calcium present in the water
Magnesium	ppm	Range Average	11 - 12 12	19 - 25 22	25 - 26 26	25	11	12 - 13 12	8.8 - 10 9.4	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits
Potassium	ppm	Range Average	3.0 - 3.4 3.2	3.8 - 4.6 4.2	4.5 - 4.6 4.6	4.5	2.4 - 2.6 2.5	3.2 - 3.4 3.3	2.4 - 2.5 2.4	Salt present in the water; naturally-occurring
Sodium	ppm	Range Average	49 - 54 52	70 - 88 79	87 - 90 88	89	40	55 - 59 57	46 - 47 46	Salt present in the water; naturally-occurring
Unregulated Contaminants										
Boron	ppb	Range Average	150	130	130	120	170	160	150	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes

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Parameter	Units	Range Average	Source Water *							Major Sources in Drinking Water
			Diamond Valley Lake	Lake Skinner	Lake Havasu	Lake Mathews	Castaic Lake	Lake Perris	Silverwood Lake	
Chromium VI	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; discharge from industrial waste factories
Dichlorodifluoromethane (Freon-12)	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Industrial waste discharge
Ethyl- <i>tert</i> -butyl ether (ETBE)	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Used as gasoline additive
<i>tert</i> -Amyl-methyl ether (TAME)	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Used as gasoline additive
Vanadium	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Naturally-occurring; industrial waste discharge
Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) (d)										
Perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA)	ppt	Range Average	ND	ND	NC	ND	ND	ND	ND	Industrial chemical factory discharges; runoff/leaching from landfills; used in fire-retarding foams and various industrial processes
Perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS)	ppt	Range Average	ND	ND	NC	ND	ND	ND	ND	
Perfluorononanoic acid (PFNA)	ppt	Range Average	ND	ND	NC	ND	ND	ND	ND	
Perfluorohexanesulfonic acid (PFHxS)	ppt	Range Average	ND	ND	NC	ND	ND	ND	ND	
Perfluoroheptanoic acid (PFHpA)	ppt	Range Average	ND	ND	NC	ND	ND	ND	ND	
Perfluorobutanesulfonic acid (PFBS)	ppt	Range Average	ND	ND	NC	ND	ND	ND	ND	
Perfluorodecanoic acid (PFDA)	ppt	Range Average	ND	ND	NC	ND	ND	ND	ND	
Perfluorododecanoic acid (PFDoA)	ppt	Range Average	ND	ND	NC	ND	ND	ND	ND	
Perfluorohexanoic acid (PFHxA)	ppt	Range Average	2.5	ND	NC	ND	2.4	3.7	2.4	
Perfluorotetradecanoic acid (PFTeDA)	ppt	Range Average	ND	ND	NC	ND	ND	ND	ND	
Perfluorotridecanoic acid (PFTrDA)	ppt	Range Average	ND	ND	NC	ND	ND	ND	ND	
Perfluoroundecanoic acid (PFUnA)	ppt	Range Average	ND	ND	NC	ND	ND	ND	ND	
4,8-dioxa-3H-perfluorononanoate (ADONA)	ppt	Range Average	ND	ND	NC	ND	ND	ND	ND	
F-53B Major (11CI-PF3OUdS)	ppt	Range Average	ND	ND	NC	ND	ND	ND	ND	
F-53B Minor (9CI-PF3ONS)	ppt	Range Average	ND	ND	NC	ND	ND	ND	ND	

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			Diamond Valley Lake	Lake Skinner	Lake Havasu	Lake Mathews	Castaic Lake	Lake Perris	Silverwood Lake		
GenX (HFPO-DA)	ppt	Range Average	ND	ND	NC	ND	ND	ND	ND		
N-ethyl Perfluorooctanesulfonamidoacetic acid	ppt	Range Average	ND	ND	NC	ND	ND	ND	ND		
N-methyl Perfluorooctanesulfonamidoacetic acid	ppt	Range Average	ND	ND	NC	ND	ND	ND	ND		
Miscellaneous											
Ethyl-tert-butyl ether (ETBE)	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		Used as gasoline additive
pH	pH Units	Range Average	8.4 - 9.3 8.8	8.1 - 8.2 8.2	8.1 - 8.2 8.1	8.2	7.4 - 7.8 7.6	8.3 - 8.4 8.4	8.0 - 8.2 8.1		Not applicable
Radon	pCi/L	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Gas produced by the decay of naturally-occurring uranium in soil and water	
tert-Amyl-methyl ether (TAME)	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Used as gasoline additive	
Total Organic Carbon (TOC)	ppm	Range Average	2.9 - 3.2 3.1	3.0 - 3.2 3.1	2.9 - 3.4 3.2	3.2 - 3.3 3.2	2.5 - 2.8 2.7	3.9 - 4.2 4.1	3.4	Various natural and man-made sources; TOC is a precursor for the formation of disinfection byproducts	

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Definition of Terms

Average	Arithmetic mean	PHG	Public Health Goal
CaCO ₃	Calcium Carbonate	ppb	Parts per billion or micrograms per liter (µg/L)
CCRD	Consumer Confidence Report Detection Level	ppm	Parts per million or milligrams per liter (mg/L)
DLR	Detection Limits for Purposes of Reporting	ppq	Parts per quadrillion or picograms per liter (pg/L)
MCL	Maximum Contaminant Level	ppt	Parts per trillion or nanograms per liter (ng/L)
MFL	Million Fibers per Liter	Range	Results based on minimum and maximum values; range and average values are the same if a single value is reported for samples collected once or twice annually
MPN	Most Probable Number	SWRCB	State Water Resources Control Board
NC	Not Collected	TON	Threshold Odor Number
ND	Not Detected at or above DLR or RL	µS/cm	MicroSiemen per centimeter
NTU	Nephelometric Turbidity Units		
pCi/L	PicoCuries per Liter		
PFAS	Per- and polyfluoralkyl substances		

Footnotes

- (a) Synthetic organic compounds (SOC) data are from samples collected in 2018. Metropolitan's next required triennial monitoring is in 2021.
- (b) Data collected in 2020 and reported once every nine-year compliance cycle, until the next samples are collected in 2029.
- (c) Aesthetic parameters are monitored in source and treated waters, as appropriate, to comply with Secondary Drinking Water Standards criteria.
- (d) All PFAS monitoring results were below the SWRCB established CCRDLs. PFAS results below the laboratory minimum reporting level (MRL) of 2.0 ppt are reported as "ND".

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Parameter	Units	Range Average	Treatment Plant Influent *					Major Sources in Drinking Water
			Diemer Plant	Jensen Plant	Mills Plant	Skinner Plant	Weymouth Plant	
Percent State Water Project	%	Range Average	0 - 94 9	100	100	0 - 84 32	0 - 90 10	Not applicable
COMPLIANCE MONITORING PARAMETERS								
Microbiological								
Total Coliform Bacteria	MPN/100 mL	Range Median	ND - 16,000 37	9 - 3,700 140	7 - 300 75	49 - 9,800 780	ND - 3,900 76	Naturally present in the environment
<i>Escherichia coli</i> (<i>E. coli</i>)	MPN/100 mL	Range Median	ND - 15 ND	ND - 1 ND	ND - 17 1	ND - 7 3	ND - 38 ND	Human and animal fecal waste
Chemical								
Alkalinity (as CaCO ₃)	ppm	Range Highest RAA	84 - 131 120	71 - 87 78	70 - 84 81	83 - 132 112	96 - 130 121	Runoff/leaching of natural deposits; carbonate, bicarbonate, hydroxide, and occasionally borate, silicate, and phosphate
Fluoride	ppm	Range Average	0.1 - 0.4 0.3	0.1 - 0.2 0.2	0.1	0.1 - 0.3 0.2	0.2 - 0.4 0.3	Erosion of natural deposits; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Total Organic Carbon (TOC)	ppm	Range Highest RAA	2.7 - 3.4 3.1	2.5 - 2.9 2.9	2.9 - 3.6 3.3	2.8 - 3.4 3.1	2.8 - 3.4 3.1	Various natural and man-made sources
OTHER PARAMETERS								
Aluminum	ppb	Range Average	66	ND	ND	ND	82	Residue from water treatment process; natural deposits erosion
Antimony	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Petroleum refinery discharges; fire retardants; solder; electronics
Arsenic	ppb	Range Average	2.1	ND	ND	2.1	2.0	Natural deposits erosion, glass and electronics production wastes
Barium	ppb	Range Average	109	ND	ND	ND	108	Oil and metal refineries discharges; natural deposits erosion
Beryllium	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Discharge from metal refineries, aerospace, and defense industries
Boron	ppb	Range Average	120	170	150	130	120	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; Industrial wastes
Cadmium	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Internal corrosion of galvanized pipes; discharge from electroplating, industrial factories, and metal refineries; runoff from waste batteries and paints; natural deposits erosion
Chromium	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; natural deposits erosion
Chromium VI	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; Industrial wastes
Copper	ppm	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Internal corrosion of household pipes; natural deposits erosion; leaching from wood preservatives
<i>Cryptosporidium</i>	oocysts/10 L	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Human and animal fecal waste
<i>Giardia</i>	cysts/10 L	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Human and animal fecal waste
Hardness (as CaCO ₃)	ppm	Range Average	100 - 284 258	106 - 124 111	72 - 108 93	118 - 290 214	106 - 292 261	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; sum of polyvalent cations, generally magnesium and calcium present in the water
Iron	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes
Lead	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Internal corrosion of household water plumbing systems; industrial manufacturers' discharge; erosion of natural deposits

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Manganese	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Leaching from natural deposits
Mercury	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Erosion of natural deposits; factory discharge; landfill runoff
Nickel	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Erosion of natural deposits; discharge from metal factories
Perchlorate	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Industrial waste discharge
pH	pH Units	Range Average	7.9 - 8.6 8.2	7.3 - 8.0 7.7	7.5 - 8.5 8.0	7.7 - 8.8 8.2	7.9 - 8.5 8.2	Not applicable
Selenium	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Refineries, mines, and chemical waste discharge; runoff from livestock lots
Specific Conductance	µS/cm	Range Average	119 - 961 891	401 - 470 430	331 - 517 435	734 - 962 761	663 - 947 911	Substances that form ions in water; seawater influence
Silver	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Industrial discharges
Thallium	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Leaching from ore processing; discharge from electronics, glass, and pharmaceutical factories
Turbidity	NTU	Range Average	0.6 - 4.0 1.3	0.4 - 2.3 0.7	0.3 - 3.0 0.6	0.5 - 2.3 0.9	0.3 - 3.8 1.0	Soil runoff
Vanadium	ppb	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Naturally-occurring; industrial waste discharge
Zinc	ppm	Range Average	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes

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MCL	Maximum Contaminant Level		Running Annual Averages calculated as an average
MPN	Most Probable Number		of the all samples collected within a 12-month period
ND	Not Detected at or above DLR or RL	Range	Results based on minimum and maximum values; range and average
NTU	Nephelometric Turbidity Units		values are the same if a single value is reported for samples collected
PHG	Public Health Goal		once or twice annually
µS/cm	MicroSiemen per centimeter		