# 2017 Water Quality Report

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# **Inside This Report**

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We strive to provide high-quality customer service, information and technical support to our customers. We take great pride, and are committed to ensure the the highest quality water that meets or exceeds federal and state water quality standards. We accomplish this by staying current with new regulations, standards, treatment technologies, process control equipment, and providing ongoing training and education for our staff.

#### Where Your Water Comes From

Twin Creeks services approximately 900 retail water connections. Our source water is obtained through the Big Pole Springs and the Witts Lake drainage This water is treated through the Twin Creeks Water Treatment Plant, located at 6135 East Center St Rd. St Rd. Heber City.

#### **Source Protection**

Twin Creeks SSD provides water and sanitary sewer services to residents and developments within the Twin Creeks service area. Protection zones have been identified for our sources in accordance with the State of Utah Drinking Water Regulations. These zones outline areas that contribute water to the drinking water supply. These zones are then used to identify



Potential Contamination Sources within the zones. Protection zones are covered by residential areas. The identified potential contaminants include fuel storage, sewer systems, roads and residential contaminants, such as pesticides and herbicides.

Our Source Protection Plan is available for review, please call our office at (435) 654-9233 to schedule an appointment.

#### **Management Strategies**

Twin Creeks has established several management strategies for the potential contaminants. These strategies include continual monitoring and clean up procedures. Twin Creeks has also developed emergency procedures that would be taken if the drinking water source should become contaminated. These strategies have been prepared with the public health as the highest priority.

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# **Water Quality**

The sources of Drinking Water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and also pick up substances



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If there is a cross connection that cannot be avoided, be sure to use a backflow prevention device to keep any contamination from getting in the potable water system. A hose bibb vacuum breaker for your outside faucet is a simple, inexpensive item that can be purchased at most home improvement stores. For additional information or questions, please call our cross connection department at 435-654-9233

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Pci/L: Picocuries per liter

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Treatment Technique (TT): A required treatment intended to reduce the level of contaminant in the drinking water.

NTU (Nephelometric Turbidity Units): A Measure of water clarity.

Data: Some of the data below, though representative, maybe more then one year old.

	Units	Results	Average	MCL	MCLG	Exceed MCL	Year Sampled	Likely Source(s)	
INORGANIC CONTAMINANTS									
Arsenic	mg/l	0.0008	0.002	0.01	0	No	2016	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from	
								orchards; runoff from glass factories.	
Nitrate	ppm	0.6	n/a	10	10	No	2016	Erosion of naturally-occurring deposits.	
Barium	ppm	0.105	n/a	3	2	No	2016	Erosion of naturally-occurring deposits.	
Cyanide	ppm	0.002	n/a	0.2	0.2	No	2016	Erosion of naturally-occurring deposits.	
Sulfate	ppm	4	n/a	1000	NE	No	2016	Erosion of naturally-occurring deposits.	
Sodium	ppm	13.4	n/a	NE	NE	No	2016	Erosion of naturally-occurring deposits.	
								and runoff from road de-icing	
Chromium	ppm	ND	n/a	0.1	0.1	No	2016	Erosion of naturally-occurring deposits.	
TDS	ppm	156	n/a	1000		No	2016	Dissolved oxygen and suspended solids.	
Turbidity	NTU	.04011	0.075	0.3	TT	No	2016	Suspended material from soil runoff	
VOC's									
	ug/L	None Detect	ed			No	2016		
PESTICIDES/PCBs/SOC	s								
	ug/L	None Detect	ed			No	2016		
ORGANIC MATERIAL									
TOC	ppm	0.9-3.6	2.6	UR	NE	No	2007	Naturally occurring. 2007 Data	
LEAD and COPPER (Tested at the consumers tap value shown is the 90th percentile for compliance)									
Lead	ppm	ND-0.0022	0.0006	AL / 0.015	0	No	2016	Corrosion of household plumbing	
								systems, naturally occurring deposits.	
Copper	ppm	0.0016-0.083	0.017	AL / 1.3	1.3	No	2016	Corrosion of household plumbing	
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RADIOLOGICAL											
Radium 228	pci/L	.2-0.63	0.4	5	NE	No	2015	Decay of natural and man-made deposits.			
Gross-Alpha	pci/L	ND-1.2	0.5	15	NE	No	2015	Erosion of natural deposits.			
Gross-Beta	pci/L	2.1-3.1	2.4	50	NE	No	2015	Decay of natural and man-made deposits.			
DISINFECTANTS/DISINI	FECTION BY	-PRODUCTS									
Chlorine Residual	mg/L	.2498	0.66	MRDL-4.0	NE	No	2016	Drinking water disinfectant to inactivate microorganisms			
TTHM	μg/L	17.9-100	46.1	80	NE	No	2016	By-product of drinking water disinfection. MCL is			
								based on a running annual average.			
HAA5s	μg/L	11.7-18.0	16.8	60	NE	No	2016	By-product of drinking water disinfection.			
MICROBIOLOGICAL											
Total Coliform	%Positive	None Detect	ed	5%	0	No	2016	Human and animal fecal waste, naturally-occurring			
	per month							in the environment. MCL is for monthly compliance.			
UNREGULATED PARAM	UNREGULATED PARAMETERS - monitoring not required										
Alkalinity, total	mg/L	90-120	105	UR	NE		2016	Naturally occurring.			
Calcium	mg/L	80-100	90	UR	NE		2016	Erosion of natural deposits.			
Conductivity	µmhos/cm	188	n/a	UR	NE		2016	Naturally occurring.			
Hardness, total	mg/L	100-110	105	UR	NE		2016	Naturally occurring.			
рН	mg/L	7.41-8.20	7.8	UR	NE		2016	Naturally occurring.			

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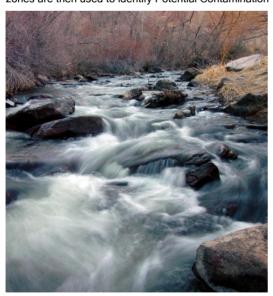
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Sulfate	ppm	28		1000	No	2016	Erosion of naturally-occurring deposits.	
Nitrate	mg/l	0.6	n/a	10	10	2016	Run off from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks; natural runoff.	
Selenium	ppm	0.0019	n/a	0.05	No	2016	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits.	
Sodium	ppm	6.8	n/a	NE	NE	2016	Erosion of naturally-occurring deposits. and runoff from road de-icing	
TDS	ppm	226	n/a	1000		2016	Dissolved oxygen and suspended solids.	
Turbidity	NTU	0.05	0.05	5	No	2016	Suspended material from soil runoff	
VOCs								
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