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Mandatory Language for Monitoring/Reporting Violation
Trigger Source Monitoring and Reporting Violation: Groundwater Rule

The CITY OF GRANITE SHOALS SHERWOOD SHORES III water system PWS ID 0270022 failed to collect the required number of triggered source bacteriological samples for fecal indicator monitoring of the groundwater system during April 2021. This monitoring is required by has violated the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality's "Drinking Water Standards" and the federal "Safe Drinking Water Act," Public Law 92-523.

Trigger source samples are used to monitor water quality and indicate if the water is free of fecal indicator bacteria. Following a positive routine total coliform result in our distribution system, our water system is required to submit one triggered source sample for every active groundwater well source. Failure to collect all required triggered source samples is a violation of the monitoring requirements and we are required to notify you of this violation.

What should I do? There is nothing you should do at this time.

The above language is mandatory language for a public notice required by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

What We Did: We received a positive result on a routine distribution microbial sample collected on 4-14-2021. We collected repeat samples from the same site as well as upstream and downstream of the site on 4-14-2021 and submitted these samples for analysis. All samples from 4-15-2021 were negative results. A staff error was made in the rush to collect repeat samples and get the samples delivered to a laboratory in Austin and the triggered source samples were not collected. We did not realize our mistake until May. On 5-17-2021, the triggered source samples, one sample for each of the three wells, as well as the regular distribution samples were collected and submitted for analysis. All samples were negative results for microbial contamination.

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (i.e., people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

If you have questions regarding this matter, you may contact Peggy Smith at 830-598-2424.

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