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Frequently Asked Questions About COVID-19 and Water Supply

Can the COVID-19 coronavirus get into my water?

The novel coronavirus disease, COVID-19, does not present a threat to the safety of Apple Valley Heights County Water District water supplies. Apple Valley Heights County Water District. Ongoing monitoring demonstrates that Apple Valley Heights County Water District water meets or surpasses all federal and state drinking water standards and regulations. COVID-19 is transmitted person-to-person, not through water, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Can Apple Valley Heights County Water District continue treating and delivering water if COVID-19 spreads?

Apple Valley Heights County Water District maintains an extensive system of reservoirs and pipelines to deliver safe and reliable water supplies to our customers. This system includes multiple layers of redundancy to ensure continued deliveries, even during a disruption.

Apple Valley Heights County Water District also maintains frequently tested plans and systems for emergency response and business continuity to guide operations, including responding to pandemic outbreaks. To address the concerns about COVID-19, Apple Valley Heights County Water District has taken several steps to protect the health of its employees, minimize potential exposure and avoid widespread impacts to our workforce. Apple Valley Heights County Water District has also ensured it has the necessary backup equipment, supplies and treatment chemicals in the event of disruptions to the supply chain for these items. Apple Valley Heights County Water District also continues to build its supply of water in storage.

So why are people stockpiling bottled water?

General emergency preparedness encourages a two-week supply of bottled water in the event of a supply disruption. While other emergencies may necessitate backup water sources, water supplies are not a concern in this situation.

Where can I learn more about COVID-19 and water?

EPA: "Americans can continue to use and drink water from their tap as usual."

<https://www.epa.gov/coronavirus/coronavirus-and-drinking-water-and-wastewater>

CDC: "The COVID-19 virus has not been detected in drinking water. Conventional water treatment methods that use filtration and disinfection, such as those in most municipal drinking water systems, should remove or inactivate the virus that causes COVID-19." <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/php/water.html>