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COMMUNITY WATER DISTRICT

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Rio Linda Elverta Community Water District (CA3410018) Has Levels of Hexavalent Chromium Above the Drinking Water Standard

This is not an emergency. As our customers, you have a right to know what you should do, what happened, and what we are doing to correct this situation.

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. Water sample results received on September 15, 2025 showed hexavalent chromium levels of 0.012 milligrams per liter (12 ppb). This is above the standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL), of 0.010 milligrams per liter (10 ppb). We are working with the State Water Resources Control Board to address this exceedance and comply with the MCL within a compliance timeline.

What should I do?

- **You do not need to use an alternative water supply (e.g., bottled water).**
- This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately. However, *some people who drink water containing hexavalent chromium in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.*
- If you have other health issues concerning the consumption of this water, you may wish to consult your doctor.

What happened? What is being done?

- A new Hexavalent Chromium MCL of 10 ppb became effective October 1, 2024.
- Hexavalent chromium was detected at levels that exceed the MCL. However, a water system of our size is not considered in violation of the Hexavalent Chromium MCL until after October 2027
- We have completed a Hexavalent Chromium Compliance Plan that is being reviewed by the State Water Resources Control Board.
- We are working with the State Water Resources Control Board to address this exceedance and comply with the MCL. Specifically, we completed one hexavalent chromium mitigation project, Well 16, which began operating in June of 2021. A second hexavalent chromium mitigation

project, treatment facilities at Well 15 is in the design phase and is anticipated for completion of construction in May 2026. Additionally, we have transitioned from employing only licensed Distribution System Operators to employing operators who also hold Water Treatment Operator licenses. As more sources of water supply that deliver water with less than 10 ppb hexavalent chromium are placed into service, existing sources (wells) with greater than 10 ppb hexavalent chromium will be transitioned to being emergency standby sources of water.

- We anticipate resolving the problem by May 2026.

For more information, please contact Timothy R. Shaw at (916) 991-8891, GM@RLECWD.COM, or visit the office at 730 L St, Rio Linda, CA.

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

If you are a school or school system, the owner or operator of residential rental property, or the owner or operator of a business property, then you are legally required to notify the following people of the information in this notice within ten days of your receipt of this notice:

- SCHOOLS: You must notify school employees, students, and parents (if the students are minors).
- RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROPERTY OWNERS OR MANAGERS (including nursing homes and care facilities): You must notify tenants.
- BUSINESS PROPERTY OWNERS, MANAGERS, OR OPERATORS: You must notify employees of businesses located on the property.
- If you fail to notify the above people, you shall be civilly liable up to \$1,000 per day for each day that you fail to notify them. (Health & Saf. Code, §§ 116450, subd. (g); 116650, subd. (e).)

This notice is being sent to you by Rio Linda Elverta Community Water District
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Sincerely,

Timothy R. Shaw, General Manager