# Goble Water Association Drinking Water Report\*\*\*\*2024 Sampling Results

## We provide quality drinking water that meets all federal and state requirements.

During recent years we have sampled many different chemicals for contamination. Contamination is anything other than pure water. We sample total coliform bacteria as an indicator of microorganisms (bacteria, viruses and other small creatures) that should not be present. The table below lists all the drinking water contaminants that we detected during the past calendar year or in our most recent tests as noted. Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling 503-732-0891 or U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

EPA's website is www.epa.gov/safewater

#### **Terms and Abbreviations**

**Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG)**: the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety. **IDEAL GOAL** 

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL): the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology. HIGHEST LEVEL ALLOWED

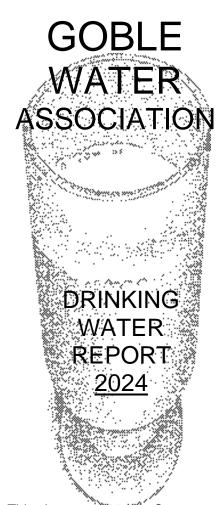
Action Level (<u>AL</u>): the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow. <u>na</u>: not applicable <u>nd</u>: not detectable at testing limit <u>ppm</u>: parts per million or milligrams per liter (1 drop in 1 million gallons) <u>ppb</u>: parts per billion or micrograms per liter (1 drop in 1 billion

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Regulated Contaminant	MCLG	MCL	Water	Date	Violation	Contaminant
Nitrate (ppm)	10	10	1.81	7-15-24	No	Runoff from fertilizer
Lead (ppb)	0	15 AL	2.0	8-2-21	No	Corrosive water & home plumbing
Copper (ppm)	1.3	1.3 AL	0.066	8-5-24	No	Corrosive water & home plumbing
Total Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) (ppb)	n/a	60	1.6	8-8-22	No	Disinfection Byproduct
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM) (ppb)	n/a	80	10.4	8-8-22	No	Disinfection Byproduct

#### VIOLATIONS Below & Refer to Inside Page ##

<u>State records indicate</u> not being in compliance with state regulations to Issue a Public Notice and for Failure to Correct Source Contamination. We are working with the state and Oregon's Circuit Rider <u>Program to make the necessary corrections.</u>

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This is our annual Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) on your drinking water system. The most recently required sampling results have been gathered to inform customers about their tap water. With this information, we hope you will learn more about your water and will help protect the water for future use.

Sources of drinking water: both tap water and bottled water originate as "surface water" from rivers and lakes or as "ground water" from springs and wells. As water travels over the surface of land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material. Water picks up wastes from both human and animal activities. Surface water is usually filtered and disinfected to remove bacteria, viruses, and protozoa. Ground water is usually filtered naturally.

## Contaminants that may be present include:

<u>Microbial</u> contaminants such as bacteria, viruses, and protozoa are very small living creatures that may be natural and harmless or harmful if originating from septic systems, agricultural livestock operations or wildlife.

**Inorganic** contaminants such as heavy metals can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges.

<u>Pesticides and herbicides</u> may come from agriculture and residential uses.

<u>Radioactive</u> contaminants are naturally occurring.

<u>Organic chemical</u> contaminants are usually man-made (synthetic) and vaporize easily (volatile). Petroleum products and degreasers are examples of gas station and dry cleaner waste transported by storm water and sewers.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the population. Immuno-compromised general persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

**EPA ensures that tap water is safe to drink** by writing regulations that limits both natural and man made contaminants. We follow both state and federal regulations. Interstate bottled water is regulated by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration

**#LEVEL 2 INVESTIGATION**: We test for Total Coliform Bacteria monthly. A Level 2 investigation is triggered when E. Coli is detected. When there are two or more positive total coliform samples in the same month, a Level 1 investigation of the distribution system is triggered. We had three positive test samples in November. Total Coliform Bacteria are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentiallyharmful waterborne pathogens may be present or that a potential pathway exits through which contamination may enter the drinking water distribution system. The cause was an unsecured springbox, and lines not properly flushed. All other months of 2023 showed no detection of contamination.

Outstanding Performance."Goble Water Association received this designation on December 4, 2015, and again on October 23, 2020.



Your drinking water comes from ground water from a spring located off Nicolai cut-off – Town of Goble.

#### SOURCE WATER ASSESSMENT

The State of Oregon has completed this assessment plan for our spring which includes a map of where the water comes from, possible sources of contamination, and a review of the susceptibility of the source for contamination. This plan is available for public review.

#### MESSAGE

Please continue to observe water conservation during the summer months.

Please refrain from watering lawns and car washing.

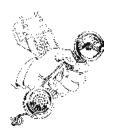
THANK YOU,
Goble Water Association

#### ## VIOLATIONS

Our system received a violation for Late/Nonreporting of CCR Water Reports. CCR Consumer Confidence Reports are required to be delivered to water system customers by July 1<sup>st</sup> and certified with the state by October 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. State records indicate not being in compliance with state regulations for distributing the reports to customers by July 1<sup>st</sup>, and not certifying with the state by October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024. We returned to compliance on October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

## **HEALTH TIP**

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Our system is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods & steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.



If you have any questions or in emergencies call:

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