

2022 Water Quality Report for Village of Hillman

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This report covers the drinking water quality for Village of Hillman Water Department for the 2022 calendar year. This information is a snapshot of the quality of the water that we provided to you in 2022. Included are details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) and state standards.

Your water comes from 4 groundwater wells, each around sixty-five feet deep. The State performed an assessment of our source water to determine the susceptibility or the relative potential of contamination. The susceptibility rating is on a seven-tiered scale from "very-low" to "very-high" based on geologic sensitivity, well construction, water chemistry and contamination sources. The susceptibility of our source is on a seven tiered scale from very-low to very-high based on geologic sensitivity, well construction, water chemistry and contamination sources. The susceptibility of our source is in a range from low to moderately high.

There are no significant sources of contamination include in our water supply. We are making efforts to protect our sources by following state and federal guidelines for well isolation and proper maintenance. If you would like to know more about this report, please contact: Village of Hillman located at 24220 Veterans Memorial Hwy or call: 989-742-4751. You can visit the Village website at: www.hillmanmichigan.org. Email: office@hillmanmichigan.org.

Contaminants and their presence in water: 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 that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the U.S. EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Vulnerability of sub-populations: Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune systems disorders, some elderly, and infants can be

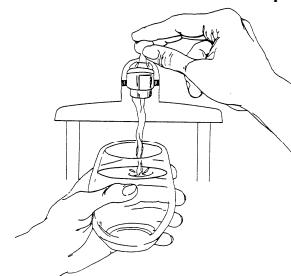
particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. U.S. EPA/Center for Disease Control guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Sources of drinking water: The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells.

Our water comes from 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 can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants**, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants**, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides**, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture and residential uses.
- Radioactive contaminants**, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.
- Organic chemical contaminants**, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.



In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the U.S. EPA prescribes regulations that limit the levels of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Federal Food and Drug Administration

regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which provide the same protection for public health.

Water Quality Data

The table below lists all the drinking water contaminants that we detected during the 2022 calendar year. The presence of these contaminants in the water does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. Unless otherwise noted, the data presented in this table is from testing done January 1 through December 31, 2022. The State allows us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. All the data is representative of the water quality, but some are more than one year old.

Terms and abbreviations used below:

- 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.
- 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.
- Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL): The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
- Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG): The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
- Treatment Technique (TT): A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
- N/A: Not applicable
- ND: not detectable at testing limit
- ppm: parts per million or milligrams per liter
- ppb: parts per billion or micrograms per liter
- ppt: parts per trillion or nanograms per liter
- pCi/l: picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)
- Action Level (AL): The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system must follow.
- Level 1 Assessment: A study of the water supply to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system.
- Level 2 Assessment: A very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why an *E. coli* MCL violation has occurred and/or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system on multiple occasions.

1 Monitoring Data for Regulated Contaminants

Regulated Contaminant	MCL, TT, or MRDL	MCLG or MRDLG	Level Detected	Range	Year Sampled	Violation Yes/No	Typical Source of Contaminant
Arsenic (ppb)	10	0	3 ppb	0-3 ppb	2022	NO	Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes
Barium (ppm)	2	2	ND	0-0	2022	NO	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge of metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits
Nitrate (ppm)	10	10	0.93 ppm	0-0.93 ppm	2022	NO	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride (ppm)	4	4	0.35	0-0.35	2022	NO	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Sodium ¹ (ppm)	N/A	N/A	3 ppm	0-3 ppm	2022	NO	Erosion of natural deposits
TTHM Total Trihalomethanes (ppb)	80	N/A	3.4 ppb	0-3.4	2022	NO	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection
HAA5 Haloacetic Acids (ppb)	60	N/A	3 ppb	0-3	2022	NO	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection
Chlorine ² (ppm)	4	4	1.36 ppm	0-1.36	2022	NO	Water additive used to control microbes
Alpha emitters (pCi/L)	15	0	2.91	0-2.91	2021	NO	Erosion of natural deposits
Combined radium (pCi/L)	5	0	1.74	0-1.74	2020	NO	Erosion of natural deposits

¹ Sodium is not a regulated contaminant.

² The chlorine “Level Detected” was calculated using a running annual average.

Inorganic Contaminant Subject to Action Levels (AL)	Action Level	MCLG	Your Water ³	Range of Results	Year Sampled	Number of Samples Above AL	Typical Source of Contaminant
Lead (ppb)	15	0	0 ppb	0 ppb-31 ppb	July 1- Dec 31, 2022	1	Lead service lines, corrosion of household plumbing including fittings and fixtures; Erosion of natural deposits
Lead (ppb)	15	0	0	0-4 ppb	Jan 1- June 30, 2022	0	Lead service lines, corrosion of household plumbing including fittings and fixtures; Erosion of natural deposits
Copper (ppm)	1.3	1.3	0.7 ppm	0-0.7 ppm	July 1, Dec 31, 2022	1	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits
Copper (ppm)	1.3	1.3	0.5 ppm	0.0 – 0.9 ppm	Jan 1- June 30, 2022		Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits

³ Ninety (90) percent of the samples collected were at or below the level reported for our water.

Monitoring and Reporting for Total Coliform and Inorganics

In accordance with the Michigan Safe Drinking Water Act, 1976 399, as amended (Act 399); R 325.10734e, Total coliform, routine monitoring; community; serving 1,000 or fewer people; groundwater; and R 325.10734, Required reporting to the department, of the 1979 Administrative Code, the Village of Hillman is required to do routine monitoring of Total coliform. Records show zero samples were collected for the March 1 to March 31, 2022, monitoring period. The water supply was out of compliance April 1, 2022 and returned to compliance April 5, 2022, when a sample was collected. What Happened? We inadvertently missed taking a sample within this required sampling period.

Samples were required to be taken from raw water at Well 7 (WL007), Well 9 (WL009), Well 11 (WL011), and from the Thunder Bay River in close proximity to the wells, for pH, conductivity, turbidity, temperature, heterotrophic plate counts, and total organic carbon on a quarterly basis for one year. During the fourth quarter of the year, (October 1 - December 31) samples were collected, however they were reported late and resulted in a reporting violation. Moving forward, we will strive to ensure all results are reported to EGLE on time.

Information about lead: 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. The Village of Hillman Water Department 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 have a lead service line it is recommended that you run your water for at least 5 minutes to flush water from both your home plumbing and the lead service line. 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, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Infants and children who drink water containing lead could experience delays in their physical or mental development. Children could show slight deficits in attention span and learning abilities. Adults who drink this water over many years could develop kidney problems or high blood pressure.

Copper is an essential nutrient, but some people who drink water containing copper in excess of the action level over a relatively short amount of time could experience gastrointestinal distress. Some people who drink water containing copper in excess of the action level over many years could suffer liver or kidney damage. People with Wilson's Disease should consult their personal doctor.

Monitoring and Reporting to the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) Requirements: The State of Michigan and the U.S. EPA require us to test our water on a regular basis to ensure its safety. The Village of Hillman did not meet all monitoring and reporting requirements for 2022.

We will update this report annually and will keep you informed of any problems that may occur throughout the year as they happen. Copies are available at the Hillman Community Center located at 24220 Veterans Memorial Hwy. For more information about your water or contents of this report, contact David J. Post at 989-742-4751. This report will not be sent to you.

We invite public participation in decisions that affect drinking water quality. The Hillman Village Council meets the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM. Meetings take place in the east end meeting room at 24220 Veterans Memorial Hwy. The report is posted on the Village of Hillman website at:

www.hillmanmichigan.org. For more information about safe drinking water, visit the U.S. EPA at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater>.

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