

ODD FELLOWS PARK WATER REPORT 1992-1993

ODD FELLOWS PARK, as required by the California domestic water quality and monitoring regulations adopted on January 1, 1989 by the state of California, must report to you, our customers, each year by April 1st, the quality of water served during the previous year.

OFF also wishes to include frequently asked questions and the answers to those questions for you, our customers.

1. Who tests our water?

OFF collects its required samples, and Aqua Lab Laboratory in Twain Harte does all required testing.

2. What is the Fluoride concentration in OFF's water?

No fluoride is added to our water. However, it does occur naturally and is present at less than .1 mg/L.

3. What amount of lead is present in OFF's water?

Lead is present at a low level of less than 10 ppb in our water, and consistently has tested at household taps at a level of 6 ppb or less.

4. Why are fire hydrants turned on and left running periodically?

A relatively small amount of water must be periodically wasted, as a result of OFF's flushing program, to eliminate the build-up over a period of time of various particles in the mains. This flushing helps to eliminate the dirty water that results from build-up in the water mains of sand and corrosion by-products.

5. What is meant by PH?

The PH of a water sample is an indicator of acidity or alkalinity, and is also an indication of the potential corrosiveness of water. PH scale values range from 0 to 14 with a PH of 7 being neutral, [neither acidic or alkaline]. Water samples having PH values below 7.0 tend to be corrosive, [acidic], while PH values above 7.0 PH tend to be less corrosive and increase in alkalinity. OFF maintains the water PH around a PH of 8.0.

6. As this report is being prepared, the new steel water tank authorized by the Board and funded by the Water Assessment of the 1992 Annual Meeting is being erected. It is expected that this capital improvement will resolve past problems we have experienced on water quality and will insure consistently high quality water for the future.