

# 5 REASONS TO CARE!

## About Your Water Quality Report

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Clean, safe, reliable drinking water is crucial to the health and resilience of our communities. Each summer, your local water provider publishes a Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) that reveals the byproduct of their 24/7, 365-day commitment, including where your water comes from, what contaminants are tested for, and how your water quality measures up to Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) standards. Your annual CCR delivers transparency, offering reassurance that your water provider's team of highly skilled engineers, scientists, and operators work daily to ensure your and your family's health and safety. Water is an integral part of our lives, making this report our top priority.

The Municipal Water District of Orange County (MWD OC) coordinates the annual CCR process for Orange County water providers, offering a consultant to help gather the critical data necessary to provide you with this valuable resource. This coordinated effort saves participating agencies time and money and offers consistent regional water quality messaging throughout Orange County. Pouring over the facts in your CCR helps you stay informed about your water quality and the measures taken each day to protect your community.

Read more about the purpose and benefits of your annual CCR to understand how it ensures your water quality hits all the right notes:



### 1 CCR'S RULE.

The CCR Rule ensures that every community water system creates and shares a concise annual water quality report, providing important educational resources and summarizing details about source water, detected contaminants, and compliance.

### 2 TESTING TESTING.

Your local water provider collects water quality data throughout the year through regular sampling, testing, and analysis. Not all contaminants are harmful. Some substances labeled as "contaminants," like disinfectants, can improve water quality, keeping your water safe from dangerous germs.

### 3 VIP ACCESS.

CCRs empower you with knowledge about the quality of water delivered to your home or business. By understanding your water quality, you can make informed decisions when taking a sip from the tap. This transparency ensures you know what's in your water and are reassured about its safety.

### 4 SECURITY.

The annual CCR reports demonstrate your water provider's compliance with water quality standards. They often also provide up-to-date contact information and illuminate ways to get involved in water protection efforts to safeguard local water resources.

### 5 LET ME HEAR YOU.

CCRs encourage productive discussions between you and your water agency! They offer an opportunity for one-on-one communication with your water provider, enabling you to share your ideas and suggestions and ask questions directly to the experts.

Visit your local water provider's website after July 1 to access your most recent CCR.