

**PORTAGE COUNTY WATER RESOURCES
RIVERMOOR SYSTEM**

2007 ANNUAL CONSUMER WATER QUALITY REPORT

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This report is also available on our web site: www.portageco.com/waterresources.htm

Water Quality Exceeds Mark

Portage County Water Resources is committed to providing our customers with a safe and reliable supply of high quality drinking water. The water meets both state and federal standards for quality and safety. This annual "Consumer Confidence Report," required by the Safe Drinking Water Act, explains where your water comes from, what tests show about it, and other things you should know about drinking water.

Water Source

The Rivermoor Water Treatment Plant, which provides drinking water to Portage County customers, uses ground water as its source. The plant produced an average of 20,000 gallons per day in 2007.

Source Water Protection

The sources of drinking water both tap water and bottled water includes rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Portage County Water Resources vigilantly safeguards its groundwater supplies and plans to continue implementing protective measures.

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 Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791)."

Contaminates which may become present in source water include: (A) Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural or livestock operations and wildlife; (B) Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges. Oil and gas production, mining, or farming; (C) Pesticides and Herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources, such as agriculture, urban storm runoff, and residential uses; (D) Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which can come from industry, gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems; (E) Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

Portage County Water Resources has actively monitored the area around its well field for twenty-six (26) years to protect it from potential pollution. The Rivermoor "Wellhead Protection Area Delineation" has been completed and a "Potential Pollution Source Inventory" is monitored to protect our source water. There are presently no known sources of pollution affecting our ground water and we intend to use public education and constant monitoring to continually improve our protection program. We need the cooperation of everyone living and working in the area where our water originates to prevent contamination; more information is available by calling customer service.

