

**APPENDIX 2 - COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATION**

**Citation Number: 02\_03\_18C\_011**

**Name of Water System: Irish Beach Water District**

**System Number: 2310012**

As required by Section 116450 of the California Health and Safety Code, I certify that the users of the water supplied by this water system were notified of the violation of Title 22, California Code of Regulations. In addition, I certify that the Irish Beach Water District complied with the directives of this citation as indicated below:

Required Action	Date Completed
<b>Public Notification – First Method (REQUIRED)</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Complete Appendix 1, as required in <b>Directive 2</b> , on page 3 of this citation. Then deliver completed notice to each customer of the water system using mail or direct delivery (attach copy of notice used for delivery).	6-13-2018

<b>Public Notification – Second Method</b> <u>Choose one of the following:</u>	6-14-2018
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Publication in a local newspaper or newsletter (attach copy of published notice in newspaper); OR

Post notice in conspicuous locations throughout the water system (attach photos of posted notices, give locations and dates of posting); OR

Post notice on the Internet or intranet (provide website address and attach printout of notice on website) *www.ibwd.org*

*[Handwritten Signature]*

Signature of Water System Representative

*6-13-2018*

Date

**THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED WITH ATTACHMENTS TO THE DIVISION  
NO LATER THAN June 20, 2018**

**Disclosure:** Be advised that Section 116725 and 116730 of the California Health and Safety Code states that any person who knowingly makes any false statement on any report or document submitted for the purpose of compliance with the attached order may be liable for a civil penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for each separate violation for each day that violation continues. In addition, the violators may be prosecuted in criminal court and upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$25,000 for each day of violation, or be imprisoned in county jail not to exceed one year, or by both the fine and imprisonment.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Este informe contiene informacion muy importante sobre su agua potable. Traduzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

### **The Irish Beach Water District Had Levels of Bacteria in its Drinking Water Above the Allowed Standard During March 2018**

Our water system collected two water samples in March 2018 that tested positive for bacteria. Although this is not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we did to correct the situation. Please share this information with other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly. You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or giving out copies by hand or mail.

#### **What should I do?**

You do not need to take any corrective actions at this time. This is not an emergency. If you have health concerns, you may wish to consult your doctor. General guidelines on regulated contaminants in drinking water are available from EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791.

#### **What happened?**

We routinely monitor our drinking water for contaminants. We took eight water samples to test our drinking water for the presence of coliform bacteria during March 2018. Two of the eight samples showed the presence of this bacteria. The standard is that no more than one sample per month may test positive for bacteria. The positive samples were tested further for fecal coliform. None of the drinking water samples were found to contain fecal coliform. Our water system exceeded the maximum contaminant level allowed for total coliform bacteria, as specified in Section 64426.1, Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations (CCR).

#### **What does this mean?**

The State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water (Division) sets drinking water standards and has determined that the presence of total coliform bacteria is a possible health concern. Coliforms are bacteria that are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentially harmful, bacteria may be present. Coliform bacteria indicate the possibility of potential contamination and may originate from human, animal, or soil sources. *E. coli* bacteria can cause illness, especially in children and the elderly. If drinking water standards are not met, drinking the water may not necessarily result in illness, but that possibility exists. Routine and follow up sampling are important to periodically verify the safety of the water. In March 2018, coliform bacteria were found in more drinking water samples than is allowed by law in the Irish Beach Water District. This was a warning of potential problems, and it was a violation of the regulations, specifically Section 64426.1, Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations (CCR).

**Has the problem been resolved? What corrective actions have been taken by the Irish Beach Water District to prevent this violation from occurring in the future?**

Two routine bacteria samples were taken in March, 2018 showing the presence of coliform bacteria. No fecal coliform was found in either sample. The follow-up samples that were taken within 24 hours of notification tested bacteria-free in both-cases. Source waters were tested as well. Surface waters from Irish Gulch can have increased bacteria counts during storm events. The filter operations procedure has been modified to shut the Irish Gulch source off pre-emptively during storm events. Bacteria tests on raw water sources are currently tested every two weeks. Chlorine residuals were immediately tested throughout the system and increased in some areas. Sampling sites have been modified to reduce the possibility of samples becoming contaminated when collected. Bacteria sampling procedures have been reviewed.

This notification of the public is being done in compliance with Sections 64463.4 and 64465, Title 22 of the CCR as a means of keeping the public informed.

Persons wishing more information should contact:

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PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM NO. 2310012

Date: 6-12-18