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Rosemary

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, October 03, 2016 12:54 PM
To: Rosemary Menard
Cc: Doug Engfer
Subject: Water Quality Hearing & Public Health Goal Report 2013-2015

Hi Rosemary,

I hope this email finds you in good health. It's doubtful that I will make tonight's meeting of the Water Commission so I am submitting my public comments for the Water Quality Hearing in writing. Please see that they are received by the Water Commission.

Public comments on Santa Cruz Water Department Water Quality & Public Health Goal Report 2013-2015:

1. On P. 11 there is mention of "a few constituents" that are detected in drinking water that have standards but which are without a PHG or MCLG. This raises the question: which constituents? What kinds of standards exist for them and do they ever exceed the standards?
2. Are all constituents with drinking water standards monitored routinely, and if not why not? For example, are all constituents in Attachment 2 sampled and analyzed routinely?
3. Going forward, will the Water Department report all detections of arsenic and hexavalent chromium to the public, including those at or above the PHG, or will the city only report detections at or above the DLR to the public?
4. Will the Water Department make an effort to study the sources of hexavalent chromium in the city's water, to determine whether its concentration might increase in the distribution system, and to look for opportunities to address this contaminant (as well as any other contaminants detected below their MCL but above their PHG or MCLG) when treatment upgrades are considered?

Thank you all for your work and for taking the time to consider my comments.

Deb Wirkman
City of Santa Cruz resident