



September 18, 2026

CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Kelly Brown, Chairperson
Mayes County Rural Water District #4
5781 West 480 Road
Pryor, OK 74361

Re: Notice of Violation ("NOV") No. P-3004617-26-1
PWSID No. OK3004617
Problem(s): Disinfection Byproduct ("DBP") Rule Violation

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Pursuant to 27A O.S. § 2-3-502(A) and the Oklahoma Administrative Code ("OAC") 252:4-9-1, this is to provide you with notice of apparent violations of the Oklahoma Environmental Quality Code identified by the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality ("DEQ").

Mayes County Rural Water District #4 owns and operates a Public Water Supply ("PWS") in Mayes County, which is under the regulatory jurisdiction of DEQ. The PWS is required to meet state drinking water requirements pursuant to the Oklahoma Statutes and the OAC.

Regulated DBPs include Total Trihalomethanes ("TTHMs") and Haloacetic acids ("HAA5s"). Drinking water containing these byproducts in excess of the MCL may lead to adverse health effects, liver or kidney problems, or nervous system effects, and may lead to an increased risk of getting cancer. Total organic carbon ("TOC") provides a medium for the formation of disinfection byproducts.

Samples submitted by the PWS for analysis contained the following locational running annual average ("LRAA") TTHM concentrations:

Sample Site/Monitoring Location	Monitoring Period	LRAA Concentration
TTHM_02 – Mitchell Tower 7148 W 500 Rd	Second Quarter 2026	0.083 mg/L

Samples submitted by the PWS for analysis contained the following locational running annual average ("LRAA") HAA5 concentrations:

Sample Site/Monitoring Location	Monitoring Period	LRAA Concentration
HAA5_01 – Lone Chapel Cemetery 5653 N 4278 Rd	Second Quarter 2026	0.061 mg/L

This Notice is to inform you that your failure to meet state drinking water requirements is a violation of the following provisions of the OAC and the Code of Federal Regulations ("C.F.R."):

OAC 252:631-3-1(b)(4) incorporates by reference 40 C.F.R. 141.64(b)(2)(i), which states, "MCLs for TTHM and HAA5 must be complied with as a locational running annual average at each monitoring location..." The MCL for HAA5 is 0.060 mg/L and for TTHM is 0.080 mg/L.

OAC 252:631-3-1(c)(10) incorporates by reference 40 C.F.R. § 141.133(b)(1)(iii), which states, "If the running annual arithmetic average of quarterly averages covering any consecutive four-quarter period exceeds the MCL, the system is in violation of the MCL and must notify the public pursuant to [40 C.F.R. Part 141, Subpart Q, Appendix A] in addition to reporting to the State pursuant to § 141.134."

It is the PWS's duty to correct the violation(s) cited above by completing all of the following requirements:

- 1) Provide notice of the violation(s) cited above to users of the PWS system as soon as practical, but no later than **thirty (30) days** after the system learns of the violation(s). The public notice must be delivered to each customer receiving a bill from the PWS system by mail, other direct delivery, and/or any other method reasonably calculated to reach other persons regularly served by the system [OAC 252:631-3-8 incorporates by reference 40 C.F.R. § 141.203 Tier 2 Public Notice]. Enclosed are "Instructions for Tier 2 Public Notice" and mandatory public notice language.
- 2) Submit to DEQ a representative copy of each type of notice distributed, posted, and made available to users of the PWS system and the enclosed Public Notice Certification form within **ten (10) days** of completing the public notification requirements [OAC 252:631-3-8 incorporates by reference 40 C.F.R. § 141.31(d) Reporting Requirements].