

Chatsworth Water Works Commission

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Annual Water Quality Report

January 2025 – December 2025

Important Information Concerning the Quality of Your Drinking Water

Chatsworth Water Works is committed to delivering to you, our customer, water that meets or exceeds federal and state quality standards. This 2025 annual water quality report shows that the drinking water supplied by Chatsworth Water Works is SAFE and gets an excellent report when compared to health standards.

Included in this water quality report is information on where your water comes from, what it contains and how it compares to standards set by regulatory agencies. Chatsworth Water Works is committed to providing our community with clean, safe and reliable drinking water for all of us. For more information about your water or this report, please call our office at (706) 695-3132.

The North Georgia Regional Development Center, covering Fannin, Gilmer, Murray, Pickens, and Whitfield counties has prepared a Source Water Assessment Program (SWAP) for the Carters Lake water supply source. Chatsworth Water Works Carter's Lake intake has a medium overall susceptibility rating. This rating was determined by using GA EPD SWAP guidance materials to rank the release and risk potential of each potential pollution source through the assistance and guidance of the Murray and Gilmer County SWAP Technical Advisory Committee. The complete SWAP report is available at the Chatsworth Water Works Office at 620 South Second Avenue. For more information, contact the office at (706) 695-3132.

Chatsworth Water Works Commission meetings are the fourth Tuesday of each month at 9:00 am. The meetings are held in the conference room at the Chatsworth Water Works Office at 620 South Second Avenue. Anyone wishing to address the commission may contact our office at 706-695-3132 and asked to be placed on the agenda for the next scheduled meeting.

Your water comes from one spring at Eton (Oneal Spring), Carters Lake, and Nix Spring. Oneal Springs, located in the Knox Aquifer, provided a daily average of .750 MG, which was treated at the Eton Water Treatment Plant.

A daily average of 0.540 MG from Carters Lake was treated at the WW Fincher Jr. Water Treatment Plant located in southeast Murray County.

A daily average of 8,800 gallons was treated at the Nix Spring Water Treatment Plant, located in east Murray County.

Chatsworth Water also purchases wholesale water from three adjacent utilities in order to provide the most economical water for our community.

Chatsworth Water Works purchased water from City of Calhoun (COC) with a daily average of 0.699 MG.

Chatsworth Water Works purchased water from Ocoee Utilities District (OUD) with a daily average of 0.208 MG.

Chatsworth Water Works purchased water from Dalton Utilities (DU) with a daily average of 1.326 MG.

This report contains very important information about your drinking water. Translate it, or speak with someone who understands it. *Este informe contiene información muy importante. Tradúscalo o hable con un amigo quien lo entienda bien.*

DRINKING WATER ANALYSIS

REGULATED SUBSTANCES

Parameter	MCL	MCLG	Range of Detection CWWC	Range of Detection COC	Range of Detection OUD	Range of Detection DU	Is it Safe? (Does it meet standards)	Probable Source	
Nitrate / Nitrite (ppm)	10	10	ND-1.79	.54-2.10	.64-1.21	ND-47	Yes	Runoff from fertilizer use: Leaching from septic tanks, sewage. Erosion of natural deposits.	
Turbidity(NTU)	TT	0	.01-.27	.02-.29	.01-1.00	0.03-.54	Yes	Soil Runoff	
Fluoride (ppm)	4	2	ND-1.12	.70-1.00	ND	.52-.86	Yes	Water additive that promotes strong teeth	
Total Organic Carbon (ppm)	TT	N/A	ND-1.00	.00-1.70	<.722	ND-2.32	Yes	Naturally present in the environment	
Chlorine (ppm)	4	2	.71-1.82	.71-3.27	.8-2.3	.04-2.2	Yes	Annual Average CWWC 1.3 ppm	Added to water as a disinfectant

Organic Contaminant Table

Parameter	MCL	MCLG	Range of Detection CWWC	Range of Detection COC	Range of Detection OUD	Range of Detection DU	Violation	Probable Source
Total THM (ppb)	80	N/A	ND-55.0	0—28.68	.5-103.0	ND-109.3	NO	By-product of drinking water Chlorination
HAA5 (ppb)	60	N/A	ND-47.4	0-20.15	1.0-42.0	ND-55.2	NO	

Lead and Copper Testing

PARAMETER	AL	MCLG	Detection Level CWWC90th Percentile	Detection Level COC 90 th Percentile	Detection Level OUD	Detection Level DU 90 th Percentile	NUMBER OF SITES ABOVE ACTION LEVEL				Probable Source
							CWWC	COC	OUD	DU	
Lead (ppb)*	15	0	0 – 0	0-2.3	.1-33.8	0	0	0	1	0	Corrosion of household plumbing
Copper (ppb)*	1,300	0	1.2-360	0—760	3.6-443	72	0	0	0	0	

CWWC is Chatsworth Water Works
 COC is City of Calhoun
 OUD is Ocoee Utility District
 DU is Dalton Utilities

*Lead and Copper results for CWWC from 2025.
 * Lead and Copper results for COC from 2024.
 *Lead and Copper results for OUD from 2024
 *Lead and Copper results for DU from 2024.

For more information in regards to the City of Calhoun (COC), call 706-602-6063
 For more information in regards to the Ocoee Utilities Water District (OUD), call 423-559-8505
 For more information in regards to the Dalton Utilities Water (DU), call 706-278-1313

**2025 CCR Supplemental Lead and Copper CCR Information
(GA2130000) Water System**

*Lead can cause serious health effects in people of all ages, especially pregnant people, infants (both formula-fed and breastfed), and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and parts used in service lines and in home plumbing. **Chatsworth Water Works Commission** is responsible for providing high quality drinking water and removing lead pipes but cannot control the variety of materials used in the plumbing in your home. Because lead levels may vary over time, lead exposure is possible even when your tap sampling results do not detect lead at one point in time. You can help protect yourself and your family by identifying and removing lead materials within your home plumbing and taking steps to reduce your family's risk. Using a filter, certified by an American National Standards Institute accredited certifier to reduce lead, is effective in reducing lead exposures. Follow the instructions provided with the filter to ensure the filter is used properly. Use only cold water for drinking, cooking, and making baby formula. Boiling water does not remove lead from water. Before using tap water for drinking, cooking, or making baby formula, flush your pipes for several minutes. You can do this by running your tap, taking a shower, doing laundry or a load of dishes. If you have a lead service line or galvanized requiring replacement service line, you may need to flush your pipes for a longer period. If you are concerned about lead in your water and wish to have your water tested, contact Customer Service at 706-695-3132. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available at <https://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.*

Lead and Copper Range Data.

Analyte	Date Sampled	MCLG	Action Level (AL)	Range		Units	Violation
				Low	High		
Lead	9/2025	0	15	0	0	ppb	No
Copper	9/2025	1300	1300	1.2	360	ppb	No

To access all individual Lead Tap Sample results for Chatsworth Water Works Commission, please contact Ellis Knight at 706-695-3132 or ellisk@chatsworthwater.com

CWWC assessed all of the water services in its systems as required by the EPA's Lead and Copper rule, no lead service or connections were found. The Service Line Inventory (SLI) is a requirement under the Lead and Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR) to help water systems identify and replace lead service lines. It mandates that all public water systems develop and maintain an inventory of service line materials to assess the presence of lead and protect public health. The inventory will support proactive lead reduction efforts and ensure compliance with regulatory requirements to minimize lead exposure in drinking water.

To access the SLI for Chatsworth Water Works Commission WSID#2130000. Questions about the service line inventory (SLI) should be directed to Alan Kendrick at 706-695-3132 ext 228 or alank@chatsworthwater.com

Listed below in the following tables are the test results for various unregulated contaminants which have been tested for by all public water providers as required by the United States Department of Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). These results are for EPA's Fifth Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rules. These constituents do not represent all the contaminants that were tested for, only the ones that were detected.

2025 Table of Unregulated Contaminants-DU Sources

Contaminant	(Units)	MCLG	MCL	Highest Monthly Average	Range of Levels Detected	Does it Meet Standard
PFBS	(ppb)	N/A	N/A	0.0034	.0135-.034	N/A
PFHxA	(ppb)	N/A	N/A	0.0056	ND-.0056	N/A
PFOA	(ppb)	0	.004	0.0084	ND-.0084	N/A
PFOS	(ppb)	0	.004	0.0084	ND-.0084	N/A
PFPea	(ppb)	N/A	N/A	0.0075	ND-.0075	N/A

2023 Unregulated UCMR-5 Table of Detected Unregulated Contaminants- Ocoee Utility District

Contaminant	(Units)	MCLG	MCL	Highest Monthly Average	Range of Levels Detected	Does it Meet Standard
PFBS	(ppb)	N/A	N/A	.0310	.021-.041	N/A
PFOA	(ppb)	0	.004	.0050	.005-.006	N/A
PFOS	(ppb)	0	.004	.0040	.003-.004	N/A

2025 Table of Unregulated Contaminants-City of Calhoun COC

Contaminant	(Units)	MCLG	MCL	Highest Monthly Average	Range of Levels Detected	Does it Meet Standard
PFOA	(ppb)	0	.004	.0187	ND-.0187	N/A
PFOS	(ppb)	0	.004	.0403	ND-.0403	N/A
PFHxS	(ppb)	N/A	N/A	.0037	ND-.0037	N/A
PFNA	(ppb)	N/A	N/A	.0027	ND-.0027	N/A

2025 Unregulated UCMR-5 Table of Detected Unregulated Contaminants- Chatsworth Water Works

Contaminant	(Units)	MCLG	MCL	Highest Monthly Average	Range of Levels Detected	Does it Meet Standard
PFBS	(ppb)	N/A	N/A	0.0070	ND-.007	N/A
PFHxA	(ppb)	N/A	N/A	0.0048	ND-.0048	N/A
PFOA	(ppb)	0	.004	0.0097	.0047-.0097	N/A
PFOS	(ppb)	0	.004	0.0082	.0051-.0082	N/A
PFPea	(ppb)	N/A	N/A	0.0054	.0042-.0054	N/A
PFHpA	(ppb)	N/A	N/A	0.0035	.0031-.0035	N/A

Probable Sources manufactured for various uses not naturally found in the environment.

Terms and Units Defined

AL	Action Level. The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements a water system must follow.
EPD	Environment Protection Division. State agency.
HAA5	Haloacetic Acids. A by-product of disinfection by chlorination.
MCL	Maximum Contaminant Level. The highest level of a contaminant allowed in drinking water. The MCL's are set as close to the MCLG's as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
MCLG	Maximum Contaminant Level Goal. The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLG's allow for a margin of safety.
MG	Million Gallons.
MRDLG	Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal. The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health.
NA	Not Applicable.
ND	Not Detected. Testing did not detect any of the contaminant for which the test was performed.
NTU	Nephelometric Turbidity Units. A measure of turbidity or cloudiness of water.
PPM	Parts Per Million. Equal to one penny in ten thousand dollars. (Same as milligrams per liter).
PPB	Parts Per Billion. Equal to one penny in ten million dollars. (Same as micrograms per liter).
PPT	Parts Per Trillion 1 ppt is more like one drop of ink in 20 Olympic-sized pools
RAA	Running Annual Average. Computed quarterly.
TT	Treatment Technique. A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
TTHM	Total Trihalomethanes. A by-product of disinfection by chlorination.
Waiver	State permission not to monitor for a particular parameter for a specified period.

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 EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791.

The sources of drinking water (both tap and bottled water) include 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 in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Notice to Immuno-Compromised People

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800) 426-4791.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include the following:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria that may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are byproducts of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Food and Drug Administration regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health.

The Commission in 2025

- Underwent an inspection by Georgia Department of Natural Resources Environmental Protection Division at the new Mill Creek WPCP and Judson Vick WPCP, both plants received a satisfactory rating. The inspection covered all areas of the wastewater treatment system. (plants, laboratory, lift stations, collection, system training, records, etc. (Nov. 2025)
- Underwent Permit Renewal at Judson Vick Wastewater Treatment with GA EPD new permit issued 2025-2029.
- Underwent an Industrial Pretreatment Inspection by EPD and no deficiencies were found in the program (Nov. 2025).
- Rehabilitated 2 sand filters at Judson Vick Wastewater Treatment Plant.
- Ran a 90 day pilot study using 4 different treatment technologies at the Eton WTP for PFAS removal to determine the best technology going forward to remove the contamination .
- Completed a sewer service expansion project to extend sewer service and availability to unincorporated areas of Murray County in support of Economic Development along the U.S. Hwy 411 corridor north of Eton.
- Secured \$10.8 million in grant funding to facilitate a plant rehabilitation and upgrades at Eton WTP for the removal of PFAS contaminants from the source water at Eton Springs.

Email

Address all email correspondences to: info@chatsworthwater.com

Include the following in your email message:

1. Full name (First and last name).
2. email address.
3. telephone number.
4. your comment or question.

Allow up to one business day for a response

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