Never cook with or drink water from the hot water tap. Never use water from the hot water tap to make formula.

Boiling water will not reduce lead.

Contact Facilities Management at 970-491-0077 for more information about this notice.

Facilities Management is responsible for providing water at this location and ensuring that the drinking water we provide to you meets state and federal standards. This notice is to inform you of the lead tap monitoring results for the drinking water samples collected at the locations identified in the table below. The 90th percentile for each water system is below the action level.

What Does This Mean? The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) set the action level for lead in drinking water at 15 ug/L (0.015 mg/L). The action level is the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded by more than 10% of the system’s samples (i.e. the 90th percentile) is above 15 ug/L, triggers treatment or other requirements. The Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety. The EPA-set MCLG for lead is zero.

What Are The Health Effects of Lead? Lead can cause serious health problems if too much enters your body from drinking water or other sources. It can cause damage to the brain and kidneys, and can interfere with the production of red blood cells that carry oxygen to all parts of your body. The greatest risk of lead exposure is to infants, young children, and pregnant women. Scientists have linked the effects of lead on the brain with lowered IQ in children. Adults with kidney problems and high blood pressure can be affected by low levels of lead more than healthy adults. Lead is stored in the bones, and it can be released later in life. During pregnancy, the child receives lead from the mother’s bones, which may affect brain development.

What Can I Do To Reduce Exposure to Lead in Drinking Water? To conserve water, many water systems recommend using the cold water tap to catch the flushed tap water from plants or some other household use (e.g. gardening, cleaning) for other purposes.

Always use cold water for drinking, cooking, and preparing baby formula. Never cook with or drink water from the hot water tap. Never use water from the hot water tap to make formula.

Do not boil water to remove lead. Boiling water will not reduce lead.