

**Weekly Update**  
**Apalachicola City Water**  
**February 29<sup>st</sup> through March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

**Apalachicola city water quality test results continue to meet state and federal drinking water standards.**

**Progress**

Currently Wells # 6 and 7 are operational and on-line. Maintenance on Well #5 is close to completion.

On Tues, March 3rd, the City experienced a temporary water main break on 9th Street and Avenue G. The city immediately notified nearby residents and businesses of a boil water notice and temporary water outage while repairs were made. Specifically, they notified those located between 9th and 12th Street and Avenue E to Avenue G. A boil water notice was posted on the front doors of houses and businesses within the same area.

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) was notified, as is a routine practice.

Per FDEP requirements, after the repairs were made the City tested drinking water from the residence immediately upstream (between the water main break and the water plant), at the leak, and immediately downstream for Total coliform and E. Coli. No bacteria were found. On March 5th, the boil water notice was rescinded (removed). This information was also posted on the front doors of houses and businesses in the area described above.

**City Water Sample Test Results**

- **Daily residual chlorine\***
  - At the plant, levels ranged from 0.82 - 2.04 ppm.
  - At the remote location, levels ranged from 0.25 - 0.51 ppm.

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\* Residual chlorine is the amount of chlorine that remains in the water after treatment at the drinking water plant. Chlorine reacts with organic material and hydrogen sulfide as it travels down the water distribution system—so chlorine levels decrease with increased distance from the plant. This decrease is normal for every water treatment system. *State regulations say that chlorine levels cannot be above 4 ppm, or below 0.20 ppm. **Levels above 4 ppm exceed the EPA Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL). Levels at or above 0.2 ppm indicate there is enough chlorine to kill bacteria.***

NOTE: All drinking water test results for Apalachicola can be found on the FDEP OCULUS web page:  
<https://depdms.dep.state.fl.us/Oculus/servlet/hitlist?action=hitlist&searchResultParam=fromSearchResultPage>