

DRINKING WATER WARNING
***E. coli* is Present in the water of**
VINCENNES WATER DEPARTMENT
BOIL YOUR WATER BEFORE DRINKING OR USING

Our water system has exceeded the *E. coli* MCL standard set by the Revised Total Coliform Rule. As our customers, you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we did to correct this situation. We collected six routine samples on April 15, 2026. Among these samples one or more has tested positive for *E. coli*. We are now conducting additional sampling to determine the extent of the problem and are conducting thorough investigation to determine the source of the contamination.

What should I do? Do not drink the water without boiling it first. Bring all water to a rolling boil, let it boil for at least three minutes, and let it cool before using, or use bottled water. Boiled or bottled water should be used for drinking, making ice, brushing teeth, washing dishes, and food preparation until subsequent sampling results show we are in compliance. Boiling kills bacteria and other organisms in the water.

E.coli are bacteria whose presence indicates that the water maybe contaminated with human or animal waste. Human pathogens in these wastes can cause short-term effects, such as diarrhea, cramps, nausea, headaches, or other symptoms. They may pose a greater health risk for infants, young children, the elderly, and people with severely compromised immune systems.

The symptoms above are not caused only by organisms in drinking water. If you experience any of these symptoms and they persist, you may want to seek medical advice. People at increased risk should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers.

What happened? What is being done? Explain below.

We will inform you when tests show no bacteria and you no longer need to boil your water. We anticipate resolving the problem within 4-21-2026.

For more information, please contact the public water system:

Contact Name: Andrew Hutchins Phone Number: 812-316-0288

General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from the EPA Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1 (800) 426-4791.

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

This notice is being sent to you by: IN5242014 VINCENNES WATER DEPARTMENT

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Certification of Public Notice

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For Violation: MCL Exceedance for E.coli

Occurring on: April 2026

The public water system indicated above hereby affirms that the public notice has been provided to consumers in accordance with the delivery, content, and format requirements and deadline in 40 CFR 141.201 (as incorporated by reference at 40 CFR 141.201 (as incorporated by reference at 327 IAC 8-2.7-1).

Name & Signature of System Representative: [Signature] Date: 4-17-2026