



City of Prescott
Public Works / Water Operations
1481 Sundog Ranch Road
Prescott, AZ 86301

June 15, 2026

Dear City of Prescott Water Customer:

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) provide regulatory authority and oversight to the City of Prescott's water supply and production. In addition to establishing and enforcing water quality standards, they also enforce process and procedure and as such, they have required that we provide notice to you as our customer about an important issue. This notice is required for process compliance and does not indicate that your water is unsafe. On the contrary, your water is safe and the City, as your water service provider, has met all water quality testing requirements, but this letter serves as required notice to you of the following:

The EPA and ADEQ have updated their Lead and Copper Rule. The old rule required testing of our water system for the concentration of Lead and Copper every three years, but that rule has been expanded to require an actual report or inspection of the pipe material for each property's service line. The City of Prescott does not have a complete and accurate record of every connection in the city, especially those installed before 1980. For the past 50 years the City has only installed Copper pipes to provide water service, but old records are incomplete so we cannot determine whether some lead was used in the distant past. The City recently hired a consultant to survey our lines. To date, they have found no lead service lines in Prescott. However, not all service lines were directly inspected, therefore EPA and ADEQ require that we provide notice to customers whose service line has not been directly observed. Out of 27,294 water services in Prescott, only approximately 12,160 services remain in the unknown/uninspected category. Even though it is unlikely that we will find lead in your service lines, the City is committed to completing all inspections for lead pipe within the next few years. Until the entire system has been assessed this letter must be sent with the following information.

Health effects of Lead

Exposure to lead in drinking water can cause health effects in all age groups. Infants and children can have decreases in IQ and attention span. Lead exposure can lead to new learning and behavior problems or exacerbate existing learning and behavior problems. The children of women who are exposed to lead before or during pregnancy can have increased risk of these adverse health effects.



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Adults can have increased risks of heart disease, high blood pressure, kidney, or nervous system problems.

For more information about the safety of your water please visit the City's website at:
<https://prescott-az.gov/water-ops/water-quality/>

Other Resources:

For more information on reducing lead exposure from your drinking water and the health effects of lead, visit EPA's website at: <http://www.epa.gov/lead>

If you have questions regarding this notification, please contact Water Operations at (928) 777-1118.

Sincerely,

City of Prescott Water Operations