

Public Notice—The City of Oakes—Collect too few water samples

The City of Oakes is required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. During the month of August 2025, we did not complete all microbiological monitoring or testing and therefore cannot be sure of the quality of our drinking water during this time. A minimum of two (2) acceptable samples were to be submitted to a certified laboratory for microbiological analysis. Records show zero (0) acceptable samples were submitted for the month of August 2025. The City of Oakes regrets that this error in meeting monitoring requirements occurred. It is recognized that a complete monitoring program is of great value in making certain that safe drinking water is provided to all consumers. Steps have been taken to ensure that adequate monitoring will be performed in the future. 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 schools, apartments, nursing homes, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or by distributing copies by hand or mail. For more information, please contact: Zasha Johnson at 701-742-2137