

# Town of Alpena Drinking Water Information

## (System Information, Sampling Requirements, and Compliance Report)

**This system is not a candidate for an award:**

### Operator Certification

<b>Population Served:</b>	286	<b>System Population:</b>	286
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<b>Last Inspection:</b>	August 15, 2017		
<b>Type of System:</b>	Community	<b>Area Served:</b>	Jerauld County
<b>Number of Service Connections:</b>	139	<b>Contamination Risk:</b>	low
<b>Water Purchased From:</b>			Mid-Dakota Rural Water (2175)
<b>PWS Owner Type:</b>	Local Government	<b>Service Area:</b>	Municipality
<b>Contract Laboratory:</b>			State Health Lab, Pierre

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### Bacteriological Monitoring

Bacteriological sampling and analysis: January 1, 2017 to January 1, 2018

A	Samples submitted:	<u>12</u>
B	Samples required:	<u>One Sample Each Month.</u>
C	Survey samples:	<u>0</u>
D	Safe samples:	<u>12</u>
E	Unsafe samples:	<u>0</u>
F	Repeat samples:	<u>0</u>
H	Groundwater Samples:	<u></u>

### Lead and Copper Monitoring

(These values are calculated from available data. Check correspondence for verification.)

A	Date Last Tested:	<u>September 27, 2017</u>
B	Samples required:	<u>5</u>
C	Sampling Frequency	<u>Triennially</u>
D	Date Due Next	<u>2017</u>
E	Lead - 90% Level	<u>0.66</u> Action Level - 15 ug/l
F	Copper 90% Level	<u>0.185</u> Action Level - 1.3 mg/l

### Disinfectant Residual Monitoring

Residual sampling and analysis: January 1, 2017 to January 1, 2018

A	Samples submitted:	<u>12</u>
B	Samples required:	<u>One Sample Each Month.</u>
C	Last Qtr Cl Residual:	<u>3.47</u> mg/l
D	Running Annual Average:	<u>3.25</u> mg/l
E	Date of last DBP test:	<u>August 9, 2017</u>
F	THM - Qtr Average:	<u>49.3</u> ug/l
G	Haa5 - Qtr Average:	<u>23.5</u> ug/l

### Asbestos

A	Date of last test:	<u>Waiver - Testing Not Required</u>
B	Asbestos Result:	<u></u> million fibers per liter

Comments

# Violations and Significant Deficiencies

**Town of Alpena**

**EPA ID: 0025**

Violations From January 1, 2013 To January 1, 2018

Violation Type	Parameter	Date	Status
DBP Failure To Monitor	Chlorine	01/01/2014	Public Notice Requested
	Chlorine		Compliance Achieved
DBP Failure To Monitor	Chlorine	10/01/2013	Public Notice Requested
	Chlorine		Public Notice Received
	Chlorine		Compliance Achieved
Routine Sample Monitoring Violation	Total Coliform Bacteria	12/01/2013	Public Notice Requested
	Bacteriological		Compliance Achieved
	Bacteriological		Public Notice Received
Lack of Certified Operator	Certified Operator	10/01/2013	Reminder Notice
	DBP		Compliance Achieved

Significant Deficiency	Date Identified	Date Corrected

# EPA ID#: 0025 System Name: Town of Alpena

Sampler- Mr Mike McCreedy Work Phone-(605)853-3159  
Title- Mid Dakota Rws  
Address- PO Box 318  
Miller SD 57362

Location- City: Alpena County: Jerauld  
Service Area- Municipality  
PWS Owner Type- Local Government  
Water Supply Type- Purchased Surface Water Supply

Population Served- 286 Service Connections- 139

## Sources for Alpena

Source	Name	Year Built	Depth (feet)	Diameter (inches)	Availability	Type	Vulnerability	Treatment
01	#1	1979	975	6	Emergency	Groundwater	Non-Vulnerable	No Treatment
03	MID-DAKOTA RWS	2002			Permanent	Purchased Surface	Non-Vulnerable	Water Treated By Seller - Purchased Surface Only
04	PULLMAN WELL	1999	960	6	Emergency	Groundwater	Non-Vulnerable	No Treatment

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**Common Ion Data**

*(All chemical data are reported in milligrams per liter (mg/l) except pH and Langlier Index)*

*Please refer to Private Well Data for more information about these test results.*

Source	Type	Date	TDS	Conductance	pH	Alk-M	Alk-P	Na	K	Ca	Mg	Fe	Mn	Cl	SO4	HCO3	CO3	Hardness	Langlier	NO3	F
01	Raw	01/26/95	2032	2640	7.54	131	0	353	20.1	182.3	50.7	0.93	0.06	103.4	1079	160	0	664	+0.18	0.1	1.88

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# Town of Alpena

## 2017 Drinking Water Report

*It's your tap water!*



EPA ID: 0025



# Water Quality

*Last year, the Town of Alpena monitored your drinking water for possible contaminants. This brochure is a snapshot of the quality of the water that we provided last year. Included are details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and state standards. We are committed to providing you with information because informed customers are our best allies.*

## Water Source

We serve more than 286 customers an average of 35,000 gallons of water per day. Our water is surface water that we purchase from another water system. The state has performed an assessment of our source water and they have determined that the relative susceptibility rating for the Alpena public water supply system is low.

For more information about your water and information on opportunities to participate in public meetings, call (605)849-3453 and ask for Shawn Ochsner.

## Additional Information

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- *Microbial contaminants*, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- *Inorganic contaminants*, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- *Pesticides and herbicides*, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses.
- *Organic chemical contaminants*, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.
- *Radioactive contaminants*, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants can be obtained by calling the Environment Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The Town of Alpena public water supply system is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

## Detected Contaminants

The attached table lists all the drinking water contaminants that we detected during the 2017 calendar year. The presence of these contaminants in the water does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. Unless otherwise noted, the data presented in this table is from testing done January 1 – December 31, 2017. The state requires us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. Some of the data, though representative of the water quality, is more than one year old.



The Town of Alpena public water system purchases 100% of their water from Mid-Dakota Rural Water (2175).

## 2017 Table of Detected Contaminants For Alpena (EPA ID 0025)

### Terms and abbreviations used in this table:

\* *Maximum Contaminant Level Goal(MCLG)*: 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.

\* *Maximum Contaminant Level(MCL)*: the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

\* *Action Level(AL)*: the concentration of a contaminant which, when exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow. For Lead and Copper, 90% of the samples must be below the AL.

\* *Treatment Technique(TT)*: A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water. For turbidity, 95% of samples must be less than 0.3 NTU

\* *Running Annual Average(RAA)*: Compliance is calculated using the running annual average of samples from designated monitoring locations.

### Units:

\**MFL*: million fibers per liter

\**pCi/l*: picocuries per liter(a measure of radioactivity)

\**ppt*: parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter

\**mrem/year*: millirems per year(a measure of radiation absorbed by the body)

\**ppm*: parts per million, or milligrams per liter(mg/l)

\**ppq*: parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter

\**NTU*: Nephelometric Turbidity Units

\**ppb*: parts per billion, or micrograms per liter(ug/l)

\**pspm*: positive samples per month

Substance	90% Level	Test Sites > Action Level	Date Tested	Highest Level Allowed (AL)	Ideal Goal	Units	Major Source of Contaminant
Copper	0.2	0	09/26/17	AL=1.3	0	ppm	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives.
Lead	1	0	09/26/17	AL=15	0	ppb	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits.

Substance	Highest Level Detected	Range	Date Tested	Highest Level Allowed (MCL)	Ideal Goal (MCLG)	Units	Major Source of Contaminant
Alpha emitters *	4	ND - 4	09/27/16	15	0	pCi/l	Erosion of natural deposits.
Antimony *	0.4		03/19/13	6	6	ppb	Discharge from petroleum refineries; fire retardants; ceramics; electronics; solder.
Arsenic *	3		03/19/13	10	0	ppb	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; runoff from glass and electronics production wastes.
Barium *	0.042		03/19/13	2	2	ppm	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits.
Chromium *	1.6		03/19/13	100	100	ppb	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; erosion of natural deposits.
Fluoride *	0.50		10/27/17	4	4	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Haloacetic Acids (RAA)	23.5		08/09/17	60	0	ppb	By-product of drinking water chlorination. Results are reported as a running annual average of test results.
Haloacetic Acids (RAA) *	23.60		11/29/17	60	0	ppb	By-product of drinking water chlorination. Results are reported as a running annual average of test results.
Nitrate (as Nitrogen) *	0.3		03/24/17	10	10	ppm	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits.
Selenium *	1.4		03/19/13	50	50	ppb	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits; discharge from mines.

<b>Substance</b>	<b>Highest Level Detected</b>	<b>Range</b>	<b>Date Tested</b>	<b>Highest Level Allowed (MCL)</b>	<b>Ideal Goal (MCLG)</b>	<b>Units</b>	<b>Major Source of Contaminant</b>
Total trihalomethanes (RAA)	49.3		08/09/17	80	0	ppb	By-product of drinking water chlorination. Results are reported as a running annual average of test results.
Total trihalomethanes (RAA) *	40.33		11/29/17	80	0	ppb	By-product of drinking water chlorination. Results are reported as a running annual average of test results.

Please direct questions regarding this information to Mr Mike McCreedy with the Alpena public water system at (605)849-3453.

\* Mid-Dakota Rural Water (2175) test result.