



## INFORMATION SHEET

# Is Our Tap Water Okay to Drink?

*SCV Water's Response to the Environmental Working Group's  
Report of Drinking Water Contaminants Causing Cancer*

(May 9, 2019) Drink up! Our water in the Santa Clarita Valley is safe. We meet all state and federal drinking water standards, and follow rigorous science-based standards set by the [U.S. Environmental Protection Agency](#) and the [State Water Resources Control Board – Division of Drinking Water](#).

Each year SCV Water tests 20,000 samples for more than 285 potential contaminants. We also participate in nationwide surveillance testing for new unregulated contaminants, which helps in assessment of their presence and in the development of national and state standards.

As the ability to measure even smaller levels of widely used chemicals in water improves over time, research on their possible health effects, presence of previously unregulated chemicals, and development of effective treatment technology drives new standards and betters our ability to continue to deliver safe water to our customers.

As new standards emerge, we will assess the need to add treatment measures or take sources off line to assure our delivered water is below the maximum contaminant levels set by Federal and State regulations.

In a [report dated April 30, 2019, the Environmental Working Group](#) claimed that drinking tap water may increase the risk of cancer. The report acknowledges use of a “novel analytical method.”

Get your facts right from the water source. You can read about water quality in the Santa Clarita Valley here: <https://yourscvwater.com/water-quality/>.