Dear Water Customer,

you about your drinking water. The Town of Derry is committed to provid-

read meters more accurately and effimeters with transponders to allow us main flushing and the installation of new

report or your drinking water in general, the



Street, Derry, NH in person or by calling 603-432-6147. Derry Center, 14 Manning <u></u> Department of Pub-Works Municipal a

Rand Shepard Hill Community Well Pumphouse

safety. We are pleased to report the results of our 2010 water testing to inform ing water customers with high quality drinking water that meets or exceeds state and federal standards for quality and

source, and their potential health effects. water quality standards, noting any contaminants detected in the your drinking water quality specifically In 2011 Maintenance will include annual Each year we report information which exceeded state or federal their probable about

If you have any questions regarding this



# HEALTH EFFECTS INFORMATION

nants in bottled water. **Health Information:** To ensure tap water is safe to drink, the EPA prescribes limits on the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establishes limits for contaminations are contaminated by the contamination of the contamination of

safe drinking water hotline at 1-800-426-4791. risk. More information about contaminants and their potential health effects can be obtained by calling EPA's 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 mean that the water poses a health

mals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present include: occurring minerals and radioactive material and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of ani-The sources of drinking water (both tap 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

private septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife. Biological Contaminants such as viruses and bacteria which may come from sewage treatment plants

run-off, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming. Inorganic Contaminants such as salt and metals which can be naturally occurring or result from urbar

and residential uses Pesticides and herbicides which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, storm-water run-off

septic systems processes and petroleum production and can also come from gas stations, urban storm-water run-off and Organic chemicals including synthetic and volatile organics which are byproducts of industrial

mining activities Radioactive materials which may be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and

ter. Additional information is available from the safe drinking water hotline (1-800-426-4791) result of materials used in your homes plumbing. If you are concerned about lead levels in your home's water you may wish to have your water tested and flush your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using tap wapopulation. It is possible that lead levels at your home may be higher than other homes in the community as a Lead—Infants and young children are typically more vulnerable to lead in drinking water than the general

ders, some elderly, and infants con be particularly at risk for infections. These people should seeks advice about drinking water from their health provider. EPA/Center for Disease Control guidelines on appropriate drinking water than the general population. Immunocompromised persons such as persons undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, persons with HIV/AIDS or other immune disormeans to lessen risk of infection by cryptosporidium are available from the Safe Drinking Water hotline at 1800-426-4791. Do I need to take special precautions? Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in

The Derry Department of Public Works Municipal Water Division Prepared by: in 2010





Is your water safe to drink? Absolutely!

Hill Community Rand-Shepard Water System

Foun of Derry, NH

**QUALITY REPORT 2011 WATER** 



ore information about Hazardous Waste in your home http://des.nhgov/organization/commissioner/p/2u/pps/hhwp/index.htm

According to the EPA Americans generate 1.6 million tons of household hazardous wit per year. The sevenge home can accumulate as much as 100 pounds of household hazard waste in the besencent or genege and in stonage closects. Please ensure proper disposa these items by attending the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day.

on: Londonderry, NH Saturday, TBA 9 a.m. -12 p.m. Velson Fields (LAFA) 9a.m. -12 p.m. Fall Collection: E E

2011 HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE
COLLECTION DAYS

West Running Brook Middle ( Saturday, May 14, 2011

Spring Collection: Derry, NH

HOUSEHOLD CHEMICALS

PROPERLY DISPOSE OF

PROTECT YOUR WATER SUPPLY

Association and the NH Department of Environmental Services and in the strict compliance with This report was prepared using technical guidance provided by the American Water Works consumer confidence reporting guidelines adopted by the US Environmental Protection Agency.

National Drinking water Compliance

Fax: 603-432-6130

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Town of Derry, NH

The Town of Derry invites its customers to become more involved with the Town's water quality efforts. The Derry Town Council, who act as the Water Commission, meet periodically to discuss issues that concern our customers. Council meetings are usually held on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at the Derry Municipal Center at 14 Manning Street. For more information you can call the Municipal Center or visit our website.

How can I get involved?

The Derry Rand-Shepherd Hill Community Water System is serviced by three groundwater supply bedrock wells located off Londonderry Road, a storage tank, a water booster station, and 5,800 feet of ductile iron water lines. Chlorine is injected prior to distribution in order to maintain adequate disinfection. The system provides drinking water to 63 single family residential homes on Faith Dr., Twilight Path and Heather Lane. Please remember to restrict outdoor watering activities to the early morning or evening hours on your even or odd scheduled day.

# Rand Shepard Hill Water Quality Summary

The Table below lists the contaminants detected in Derry's Rand Shepard Hill Community Water System in 2010. In Addition to those detected the Town tests your drinking water for over 100 additional contaminants such as pesticides, herbicides, radionuclides, MTBE etc. using both Town resources and local laboratories. How to read this table: This table shows the results of our water quality analyses. Every regulated contaminant that we detected in your water, even in the most minute traces, is listed here. The table contains the names of each contaminant, the highest level allowed by State and EPA regulations (MCL), the ideal goals for public health (MCLG), the amount detected, and the most common sources of the contaminant. Footnotes explaining our findings and a key to the units of measure are also included in this table. Definitions of MCL and MCLG are important

Contaminant Inorganic Contaminants	Sample Year <sup>3</sup>	MCL	MCLG	Range of Detected Levels	Highest Detected Level	Major Sources of Contamination	Violation Yes or No
Lead (ppb)	2009	Action Level=15 <sup>1</sup>	0	No Detection to 5	5 <sup>1</sup> (90th percentile)	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of Natural Deposits.	No
Copper (ppm)	2009	Action Level=1.3 <sup>2</sup>	1.3	0.196 to 0.275	0.275 = (90th percentile)	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of Natural Deposits; leaching from wood preservatives	No
Chlorine (ppm) Thallium (ppb)	2010 2010	4.0- MRDL 2	4.0- MRDL 2	0.07 to 0.56	0.56	Drinking water disinfection  Leaching from ore processing sites; discharge from electronics; glass and drug factories	No No
Nickel (ppb)	2010	100	100	20.1	20.1	Discharge from metal refining and chemical production	No
Barium (ppm)	2010	2	2	0.011	0.011	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion from natural deposits	No
Fluoride (ppm)	2010	4	4	0.23	0.23	Erosion of natural depostis; Drining water additive to promote strong teeth.	No
Volatile Organic Contaminants							
TTHM's (Total Trihalomethanes) <sup>7</sup> (ppb)	2010	80	0	4.1	4.1	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection	No
Radiological Contaminants				244410			
Compliance Gross Alpha (pCi/l)	2006	5	0	<2.4 +/- 1.0 to 0.0+/-0.4 <0.05 +/- 0.2 to 0.5	0.0 +/- 0.4	Decomposition of Natural deposits	No
Radium 226 (pCi/l)	2006	5	0	+/- 0.1 <0.5+/-0.3 to 1.1	0.5 +/- 0.1	Decomposition of Natural deposits	No
Radium 228 (pCi/l)	2006	5	0	+/- 0.2 <0.9 +/- 0.6 to	1.1 +/- 0.2	Decomposition of Natural deposits	No
Uranium -mass (ppb)	2006	30 Not	0 Not	0.9 +/- 0.6	0.9 +/- 0.6	Decomposition of Natural deposits	No
Radon Gas (pCi/l)	2006	Regulated	Regulated	2000 to 3290	3290 4	Decomposition of Natural deposits	No
Inorganic Contaminants							
Chloride (ppm)	2010	Not Regulated	Not Regulated	No Range	37	Road Salt. Seawater trapped in sediments at time of deposition	No
Iron (ppm)	2010	Not Regulated	Not Regulated	No Range	0.026	Present in most soils and rocks.	No
Sulfate (ppm)	2010	Not Regulated	Not Regulated	No Range	26	Naturally present in the environment	No
Zinc (ppm)	2010	Not Regulated	Not Regulated	No Range	0.295	Naturally present in the environment	No
Mangenese (ppm)	2010	Not Regulated	Not Regulated	No Range	0.122	Naturally present in the environment	No
Hardness (ppm CaCO3/L)	2010	Not Regulated	Not Regulated	No Range	139	Naturally present in the environment	No

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No Contaminants exceeded the Maximum contaminant level (MCL).

For general health information refer to the back page of this report.

### **GENERAL NOTES**

- 1 The maximum allowable limit for lead by EPA as measured in stagnant water is 15 ppb. Results represent 90th percentile.
- 2 The maximum allowable limit for copper by EPA standards in stagnant water is 1.3 ppm. Results represent 90th percentile.
- **3** The State of NH and EPA allow for water systems to monitor for contaminants noted less than once per year because the concentrations for these contaminants do not change frequently. Some of this data, though representative, is more than one year old.

### **KEY TO TABLE**

Maximum Contaminant Level or MCL: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCL's are set as close to MCLG's as feasible using the best available technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal or MCLG: The highest level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLG's allow a margin of safety.

MRDLG: Maximum residual disinfection level goal: The level of drinking water disinfection below which there is no known or expected risk to health. The MRDLG's do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

MRDL: Maximum residual disinfectant level: The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that the addition of a disinfectant is necessary to control microbial contaminants.

AL: Action level above which a treatment technique must be implemented.

NTU: Nephelometric Turbidity Units

pCi/I: Picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)

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

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

NR: Not regulated

## SOURCE WATER ASSESSMENT SUMMARY

Source	Summary of Susceptibility Factors			
	Low	Med	High	
Source Name and Description	BRW 1 Located 170 ft S of PUMPHOUSE	9	0	3
Source Name and Description	BRW 2 Located 180 ft SE of PUMPHOUSE	9	0	3
Source Name and Description	BRW 2 Located 250 ft SE of PUMPHOUSE	8	2	2

Souce Water Assessments are prepared by the NH Department of Environmental Services and are conducted to identify potential contamination sources within the protection area of public water supply wells. This allows communities to developemnt and implement source water protection programs. The complete assessment report for the Rand Shepard Hill system is available at the Derry Department of Public Works, For more information you may contact the DPW at 603-432-6144 or visit the NHDES website at

http://des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/dwgb/dwspp/reports/documents/derry.pdf

### Tips to Conserve Water:

- Water in the early morning or evening on your scheduled day. If you sprinkle
  your lawn under the hot midday sun, you'll lose as much as 30% of your
  water to evaporation.
- Several short watering sessions are better than a single long one. Lawns can
  only absorb water so fast. Its better to water your lawn for three ten minute
  sessions-with each session an hour and a half apart-than it is to water
  steadily for 30 minutes and cause run-off.
- Better yet...Xeriscape<sup>in</sup>. Xeriscaping is water wise landscaping that stresses
  proper soil preparation, efficient irrigation, and the use of water stingy plants.
  For homeowners, it means less maintenance, lower water bills and a colorful
  decorative look. Contact your local greenhouse for more information.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Radon Gas: Presently the US Environmental Protection Agency is determining a standard for radon gas which is inhaled and has been linked to cancer. However, it is not clear at what level in your drinking water contributes to this health effect.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Combined Radium (pCi/L): Some people who drink water containing radium 226 or 228 in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup>Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM) and Haloacetic Acids are byproducts of disinfection process. They are created when chlorine and naturally occurring organic compounds come together. Some of these compounds are known or suspected carcinogens.