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The Quechan Utility Company holds no higher priority than the protection of our community's health and safety by the diligent operation and maintenance of the Quechan Tribe's drinking water system. Per the US Environmental Protection Agency's regulations for public water systems, our trained and certified operators carefully test each month the water produced by our two wells. The test results confirm that our water is safe to drink and to use for cooking, washing, and so on. The novel coronavirus (COVID-19) has not been detected in drinking water supplies, and based on current scientific evidence, the risk to water supplies is low.

In 2019, with funding and technical assistance from the Indian Health Service, the Tribe successfully developed a new well and completely refurbished an existing well. While our water is safe to drink, as confirmed by monthly test results and our Annual Reports, we acknowledge that it is also "hard", which affects quality but not safety. To address this and enhance the appeal and usefulness of our water, the Tribe is currently using grant funding to develop a drinking water treatment facility that will both disinfect and reduce the hardness of our water, with completion anticipated by late 2021. In the meantime, you can be confident that our water system is safe for use by you and your family and friends. Please contact Jeremy Douglas, Quechan Public Works Director, at (760) 572-0667 (office), (928) 920-4238 (cell), or publicworksdirector@quechantribe.com, with any comments or questions.