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## **Annual Drinking Water Quality Report**

Disinfectants and Disinfection	Collection Date	Highest Level	Range of Levels	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination	
By-Products		Detected	Detected						
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)*	2015	6	5.7 - 5.7	No goal for the total	60	ppb	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection.	
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	2015	1	1.4 - 1.4	No goal for the total	80	ppb	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection.	
Inorganic Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination	
Arsenic	2015	2.2	2.2 - 2.2	0	10	ppb	N .	Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production waste	
Barium	2015 0.16		0.16 - 0.16	2	2	ppm	N	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.	
Chromium	2015	1.8	1.8 - 1.8	100	100	ppb	N	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; Erosion of natural deposits.	
Fluoride	2015	1.5	1.5 - 1.5	4	4.0	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.	
Nitrate [measured as Nitrogen]	2015	1	0.619 - 0.619	10	10	ppm	N	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.	
Radioactive Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination	
Beta/photon emitters	03/08/2012	5.8	5.8 - 5.8	. 0	50	pCi/L*	N	Decay of natural and man-made deposits.	
EPA considers 50 pCi/L to be the	e level of concern for	beta particles.							
Combined Radium 226/228	03/08/2012	2.5	2.5 - 2.5	0	5	pCi/L	N	Erosion of natural deposits.	
Gross alpha excluding radon and uranium	03/08/2012	2.5	2.5 - 2.5	0	15	pCi/L	N	Erosion of natural deposits.	
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Volatile Organic Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination	
Benzene	2015	1	0.83 - 0.83	0	5	ppb	N	Discharge from factories; Leaching from gas storag tanks and landfills.	

## Violations Table

Lead and Copper Rule									
The Lead and Copper Rule protects public health by minimizing lead and copper levels in drinking water, primarily by reducing water corrosivity. Lead and copper enter drinking water mainly from corrosion of lead and copper containing plumbing materials.									
Violation Type	Violation Begin	Violation End	Violation Explanation						
FOLLOW-UP OR ROUTINE TAP M/R (LCR)	10/01/2010	2015	We failed to test our drinking water for the contaminant and period indicated. Because of this failure, we cannot be sure of the quality of our drinking water during the period indicated.						

Į	System Susceptibility Summary										
	Asbestos	Cyanide	Metals	Microbial	Minerals	Radiochemical	Sythetic Organic Chemicals	Disinfection Byproduct	Volatile Organic Chemicals	Drinking Water Contaminant Candidate	Other
I	HIGH	MEDIUM	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH	MEDIUM	HIGH	MEDIUM	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH

Entry Point Susceptibility Summary												
	Entry Point ID	Asbestos	Cyanide	Metals	Microbial	Minerals	Radiochem	Sythetic Organic Chemicals	Disinfection Byproduct	Volatile Organic Chemicals	Drinking Water Contaminant Candidate	Other
ı	001	HIGH	MEDIUM	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH	MEDIUM	HIGH	MEDIUM	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH

## **School Board Adopts Fiscal Budget** With \$315,035 Deficit

At the June 27 meeting of the \$2,114,110. Hart School Board, HISD Busi-Manager Montemayor presented the proposed budget for the year beginning July 1, 2016, and ending June 30, 2017. It has a deficit of \$315,035, compared to a District. This results in about \$400,000 deficit last year. Revenues are proposed to be cording to Heller. \$3,078,450 and expenditures, \$2,763,415. Local property tax revenue is expected to be \$930,000 and the State's payment, \$1,424,708. Salaries are budgeted at \$2,200,000. Estimated fund balance at the end of the current fiscal year is

Total taxable values of prop-Teresa erties in the district are down \$7,613,510 because of lower ag values on farm land, according to Jerry Heller, Chief Appraiser for the Castro County Appraisal \$82,000 less in revenues, ac-

> The Board unanimously adopted the budget and approved the tax rate of \$1.17/ \$100 valuation, which is the current rate and the maximum amount allowed by the State for Maintenance and Operations; the district has no capital debt.

Montemayor told the Board that after the April 10 hail storm that hit Hart, the insurance adjuster said there is no roof damage due to the hail, and the damage present is due to wear and tear. Since many residents have been replacing roofs, the administration has asked for a reevaluation of the roof, which is 20 years old.

All board members were present at the meeting: President Erasmo Mata, Steven Reyna, Vickie Chavez, Martha Gonzales and Angelica Ramirez.

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## Mary Ann Carrasco Appointed To School **Board**

Mary Ann Rodriguez Carrasco, who has served on the Hart School Board in the past, was appointed to the Board on July 11 at a regular meeting. She fills the vacancy created when Elodia Rodriguez resigned. There is another vacancy (the one formerly held by Raul Gonzales), but no one was appointed to fill this.

Superintendent David Cox told the board that he will get the old metal and concrete wheelchair ramps at the school replaced to make them safer.

Board members present were President Erasmo Mata, Vickie Chavez, Angelica Ramirez, Martha Gonzales, Steven Reyna and

The Board discussed the cafeteria lunch prices. Administration recommended a five-cent increase from \$1.20 to \$1.25 per lunch, which the Board approved. Business Manager Teresa Montemayor said that the U.S. Dept of Agriculture (regulates public school breakfasts and lunches) has a formula on pricing, and this new rate complies with the formula. At the end of the past school year, there were 242 students enrolled at Hart ISD, and Montemayor is expecting 15 fewer students for the upcoming school year. This prompted the price increase. She told *The Pulse* that there are seven students who paid for their meals last school year, and ten were on reduced prices, and the remaining students received free

The Board adopted a student handbook for the upcoming year. Secondary principal Ramona Neudorf told the Board of a change made by administration, which allows a student to get credit for a course for which they failed the first semester, but managed to bring their grade to an average of 70 for the first and second semesters. She said that Cox said that Dimmitt ISD (where he was the secondary principal) did this. Also, last year, the students and parents did not get hard copies of the hand book, but could read it online. This year, there will be hard copies.

And, a change was made regarding the TSI (Texas Success Initiative) Assessment. This is a test that determines the appropriate level of college course work for an incoming student; it consists of exams for Math, Reading and Writing.

Neudorf told the Board that some Hart students take the test five to six times, and the school district has been paying Amarillo College (where testing takes place for Hart ISD and other area schools) \$10 per test. She recommended the school pay for the first two exams, and the student should pay for any further testing. This was approved.

After returning from closed session, the Board approved the employment of two elementary teachers, Aarica Ortiz Ochoa (third grade) and Latitia Johnson, fifth grade.

And, a salary increase of three percent was approved for Ramona Neudorf and Teresa Montemayor, effective July 1, 2016. Montemayor said that Neudorf's salary will now be \$75,000 per year and hers, \$54,000.

