

## PUBLIC NOTICE

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The LITTLE RIVER CO RDA is a public water system subject to regulation under the federal Safe Drinking Water Act. Those regulations require the notification of customers whenever a violation occurs and is the basis for this notice.

A FEBRUARY-JULY 2026 sanitary survey inspection of your water system by the Engineering Section found the following significant deficiency: PLEASE REFER TO ATTACHMENT. No corrective action has been taken during the month of February, March, April 2026.

Water supplied by this system is from a groundwater source. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) sets national drinking water standards and has determined that the presence of microbiological contaminants are a health concern at certain levels of exposure. The water system must correct any significant deficiencies identified by the State.

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Inadequately treated or inadequately protected water may contain disease-causing organisms. These organisms include bacteria, viruses, and parasites which can cause symptoms such as nausea, cramps, diarrhea, and associated headaches. These symptoms, however, are not just associated with disease-causing organisms in drinking water, but also may be caused by a number of factors other than your drinking water.

EPA has set enforceable requirements for treating drinking water to reduce the risk of these adverse health effects. Treatment such as proper filtering and disinfecting of the water removes or destroys microbiological contaminants. Drinking water which is treated to meet EPA requirements is associated with little to none of this risk and should be considered safe. Failure to meet this requirement does not necessarily mean that the water is unsafe or that alternate sources of water should be used.

(detail the action(s) taken to correct the violation)

The water system contracted with TankSpec on April 29, 2026 and Spears Engineering Company to make repairs on the storage tanks. At this time the following significant deficiencies have been repaired: the vents have been replaced with new ones, new weather stripping installed on hatches, locks added to top access hatches, and sensor holes have been sealed. The water system has also obtained funding from Arkansas Natural Resources Commission to modify overflow pipes, and those modifications are in the design and bidding phase.

Should you have any questions concerning this notice, contact the water system at 8705427776 or the Engineering Section of the Department of Health at 501-661-2623.