Scales Creek Golf Course
2024 Water-Quality Report
Water System ID 0110028

The Scales Creek Golf Course is pleased to present a summary of the quality of water provided to you during the past year. The Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) requires that utilities issue an annual "Consumer Confidence" report to customers. This report details where our water comes from, what it contains, and the risks our water testing and treatment are designed to prevent. The Scales Creek Golf Course is operated by the Town of Homer and is committed to providing you with the safest and most reliable water supply. Informed consumers are our best allies in maintaining safe drinking water. We encourage public interest and participation in our community's decisions affecting our drinking water. Regularly scheduled council meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at Homer Town Hall. Comments are welcomed; please contact us at The Town of Homer – 943 Historic Homer Highway – Homer, GA 30547 or (706) 677-3510.

Water Source

The Scales Creek Golf Course purchases all of its water from the Banks County Water System which is supplied by surface water from the Mountain Creek Reservoir. A source
water assessment plan is available upon request.

How to Read This Table

The chart in this report provides representative analytical results of water samples collected in 2024 from the Scales Creek Golf Course and the Banks County water system unless noted otherwise. Please note the following definitions:

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

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

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level of MRDL: The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal of MCRDLG: The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

Regulatory Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant, which triggers treatment or other requirement, which a water system must follow.

Volatile Organic Contaminant	Date	Units	MCL	MCLG	Detected (Highest)	Range	Major Sources	Violation?
Total Trihalomethane,TTHM								
Scales Creek Golf Course	Quarterly	ppb	80	n/a	51.08	25.6-78.1	By-product of drinking water disinfection	NO
Banks County	Quarterly	ppb	80	n/a	41.8	26-41.8		NO
Haloacetic Acid, HAA5								
Scales Creek Golf Course	Quarterly	ppb	60	n/a	43.5	33-56.1	By-product of drinking water disinfection	NO
Banks County	Quarterly	ppb	60	n/a	34	23.2-34		NO
Total Organic Carbon								
Banks County	Monthly	Ratio	N/A	TT </=2.0	1.17	0.95-1.7	Naturally present in the environment	NO
Inorganic Contaminant	**Date**	**Units**	**MCL**	**MCLG**	**Detected**	**Range**	**Major Sources**	**Violation?**
Nitrate/Nitrite								
Banks County	Annually	ppm	10	10	0.26	0.0-0.26	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, erosion of natural deposits	NO
Lead[1]								
Scales Creek Golf Course	2024	ppb	AL=15	0	15	0-15	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits	NO
Banks County	2022	ppb	AL=15	0	0	0-8		NO
Copper[2]								
Scales Creek Golf Course	2024	ppb	AL=1300	1300	45	1.4-45	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits	NO
Banks County	2022	ppb	AL=1300	1300	100	1.4-220		NO
Chlorine Residual								
Scales Creek Golf Course	Monthly	ppm	MRDL =4	MRDLG =4	1.39	1.25-1.4	Water disinfectant	NO
Banks County					1.84	1.7-2		NO
Fluoride								
Banks County	Monthly	ppm	4	4	0.72	0.7-0.8	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and	NO

							aluminum factories	
Microbiological	**Date**	**Units**	**MCL**	**MCLG**	**Value**	**Range**	**Major Sources**	**Violation?**
Total Coliform Bacteria								
Scales Creek Golf Course	Monthly	#/100 mL	1	0	0	n/a	Coliforms are bacteria that are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentially harmful, bacteria may be present.	NO
Banks County	Monthly		1	0	0	n/a		NO
Turbidity[3]								
Banks County	Continuous	NTU	TT	n/a	0.13	n/a	Soil runoff	NO
Turbidity								
Banks County	Continuous	NTU	95% samples <0.3	n/a	100%	n/a	Soil runoff	NO

Water-Quality Table Footnotes

1 ppb of copper is reported as the 90th percentile of samples taken.
2 ppb of lead is reported as the 90th percentile of samples taken.
3 Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness in water and is monitored because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of our filtration system.

Table Key

AL = Action Level, the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system must follow.

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ppm = parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/l) one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in $10,000.

ppb = parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (µg/l) one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in $10,000,000.

NTU = nephelometric units, measure of the clarity of water

TT = treatment Technique: A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water

Violation

Revised Total Coliform Rule (RTCR)

During 12/1/2024-12/31/2024, we failed to test our drinking water for Total Coliform, Because of this failure, we cannot be sure of the quality of our drinking water during the period indicated. The RTCR seeks to prevent waterborne diseases caused by E. coli. E. coli bacteria whose presence indicates that the water may be contaminated with human or animal waste. Human pathogens in these wastes can cause short-term effects, such as diarrhea, cramps, nausea, headaches, or other symptoms.

What should you do?

There is nothing you need to do at the time. Our water system monitored for total coliform bacteria in January 2025 bringing the water system into compliance

Required Additional Health Information

To ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes limits on the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water.

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 indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791). The sources of drinking water (both tap water 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-occurring minerals and radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

(A) Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.

(B) Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.

(C) Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, stormwater runoff, and residential uses.

(D) Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organics, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff and septic systems.

(E) Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than is the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

2024 CCR Supplemental Lead and Copper CCR Information For (GA0110028) Water System

Lead in Drinking Water

Lead can cause serious health effects in people of all ages, especially pregnant people, infants (both formula-fed and breastfed), and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and parts used in service lines and in home plumbing. The Scales Creek Golf Course is responsible for providing high quality drinking water and removing lead pipes but cannot control the variety of materials used in the plumbing in your home. Because lead levels may vary over time, lead exposure is possible even when your tap sampling results do not detect lead at one point in time. You can help protect yourself and your family by identifying and removing lead materials within your home plumbing and taking steps to reduce your family's risk. Using a filter, certified by an American National Standards Institute accredited certifier to reduce lead, is effective in reducing lead exposures. Follow the instructions provided with the filter to ensure the filter is used properly. Use only cold water for drinking, cooking, and making baby formula. Boiling water does not remove lead from water. Before using tap water for drinking, cooking, or making baby formulas, flush your pipes for several minutes. You can do this by running your tap, taking a shower, doing laundry or a load of dishes. If you have a lead service line or galvanized requiring replacement service line, you may need to flush your pipes for a longer period. If you are concerned about lead in your water and wish to have your water tested, contact Homer Town Hall at [redacted]. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available at http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.

To access all individual Lead Tap Sample results for Scales Creek Golf Course, please contact Matthew Speed at mspeed@eminc.biz.

Lead Service Line Inventory

The Service Line Inventory (SLI) is a requirement under the Lead and Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR) to help water systems identify and replace lead service lines. It mandates that all public water systems develop and maintain an inventory of service line materials to assess the presence of lead and protect public health. The inventory will support proactive lead reduction efforts and ensure compliance with regulatory requirements to minimize lead exposure in drinking water.

To access the SLI for Scales Creek Golf Course, please contact Carol Ayers at 706-677-3510.

National Primary Drinking Water Regulation Compliance

If you have any questions please call Matthew Speed at 678-315-1813. Water Quality Data for community water systems throughout the United States is available at www.waterdata.com. Although a copy of this Water Quality Report will not be mailed to each individual customer, there will be copies available at Town Hall. This report contains water quality information from the Scales Creek Golf Course water system (WSID 0110028).

Este informe contiene information muy importante. Traduscalo o hable con un amigo quien lo entienda bien.