



**CENTRAL COAST WATER AUTHORITY  
POLONIO PASS WATER TREATMENT PLANT  
2007 CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT DATA**

Please see last page for key to abbreviations.

Parameter	Units	State MCL	PHG (MCLG)	State DLR	Range Average	TREATED	SOURCE	Major Sources in Drinking Water
						CCWA PPWTP	STATE WATER	

**PRIMARY STANDARDS--Mandatory Health-Related Standards**

**CLARITY (a)**

Combined Filter Effluent Turbidity	NTU	TT=<1 NTU every 4 hours TT=95% of samples <0.3 NTU			Range	0.03 - 0.22	NA	Soil runoff
					Average	100%	NA	

**MICROBIOLOGICAL (b)**

Total Coliform Bacteria (Distribution System)	--	5.0% of monthly samples	0	--	Range	0.0%	NA	Naturally present in the environment
					Average	0 Positives	NA	
					Highest	0 Positives	NA	
Fecal Coliform and E. coli (Distribution System)	--	--	0	--	Range	0 Positives	NA	Human and animal fecal waste
					Average	0 Positives	NA	
					Highest	0 Positives	NA	

**ORGANIC CHEMICALS**

Total Trihalomethanes (Distribution System) (c)	ppb	80	NA	0.5	Range	38 - 56	NA	By-product of drinking water chlorination
					Average	45	NA	
Haloacetic Acids (c) (Distribution System)	ppb	60	NA	1.0	Range	5.7 - 12	NA	By-product of drinking water chlorination
					Average	8.3	NA	

**INORGANIC CHEMICALS**

Aluminum (d)	ppb	1000	600	50	Range	28 - 150	95-100	Residue from water treatment process; Erosion of natural deposits
					Average	81	98	
Total chlorine residual (Distribution System)	ppm	MRDL = 4.0	MRDLG = 4.0	--	Range	1.05 - 2.6	NA	Measurement of the disinfectant used in the production of drinking water
					Average	1.8	NA	

**RADIONUCLIDES**

Gross Beta Particle Activity (2004)	pCi/L	50	(0)	4	Range	NC	7.3	Decay of natural and manmade deposits
					Average	NC	7.3	

**SECONDARY STANDARDS--Aesthetic Standards**

Chloride	ppm	500	NA	--	Range	45 - 148	42 - 145	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; seawater influence
					Average	90	87	
Color (ACU) (g)	Units	15	NA	--	Range	3	10	Naturally occurring organic materials
					Average	3	10	
Corrosivity (g)	SI	non-corrosive	NA	--	Range	non-corrosive	NA	Balance of hydrogen, carbon, & oxygen in water, affected by temperature & other factors
					Average	corrosive	NA	
Iron (g)	ppb	300	NA	100	Range	ND	220	Leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes
					Average	ND	220	
Manganese (g)	ppb	50	NA	20	Range	ND	21	Leaching from natural deposits
					Average	ND	21	
Odor Threshold	Units	3	NA	1	Range	1-3	2-20	Naturally occurring organic materials
					Average	1	4	
Specific Conductance	µmho/cm	1600	NA	--	Range	337 - 657	308 - 629	Substances that form ions when in water; seawater influence.
					Average	524	488	
Sulfate (g)	ppm	500	NA	0.5	Range	39	35	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes
					Average	39	35	
Total Dissolved Solids	ppm	1000	NA	--	Range	159 - 389	145 - 377	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; seawater influence
					Average	273	266	
Turbidity (Monthly)	NTU	5	NA	0.05	Range	0.03 - 0.31	0.7 - 34	Soil runoff
					Average	0.05	2.6	

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<b>Additional Parameters (Unregulated):</b>								
Alkalinity (Total) as CaCO <sub>3</sub> equivalents	ppm	NA	NA	--	Range	56 - 86	46 - 84	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; seawater influence
					Average	71	73	
Calcium	ppm	NA	NA	--	Range	34-86	34 - 70	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; seawater influence
					Average	50	50	
Hardness (Total) as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	ppm	NA	NA	--	Range	72 - 130	64 - 128	Leaching from natural deposits
					Average	101	101	
Heterotrophic Plate Count (e)	CFU/mL	TT	NA	--	Range	<1 - 2	NA	Naturally present in the environment
					Average	1	NA	
Magnesium (g)	ppm	NA	NA	--	Range	9.5	13	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; seawater influence
					Average	9.5	13	
pH	pH Units	NA	NA	--	Range	7.3 - 9.5	7.3 - 9.4	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; seawater influence
					Average	8.25	8.36	
Potassium (g)	ppm	NA	NA	--	Range	2.3	2.8	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; seawater influence
					Average	2.3	2.8	
Sodium (g)	ppm	NA	NA	--	Range	45	48	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; seawater influence
					Average	45	48	
Total Organic Carbon (f) (TOC)	ppm	TT	NA	0.30	Range	1.1 - 2.5	2.1 - 4.3	Various natural and manmade sources.
					Average	1.7	3.0	

## ABBREVIATIONS AND NOTES

### Footnotes:

- Turbidity (NTU) is a measure of the cloudiness of the water and it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of our filtration system. Monthly turbidity values are listed in the Secondary Standards section.
- Total coliform MCLs: No more than 5.0% of the monthly samples may be total coliform positive. Fecal coliform/*E. coli* MCLs: The occurrence of 2 consecutive total coliform positive samples, one of which contains fecal coliform/*E. coli*, constitutes an acute MCL violation. These MCLs were not violated in 2007. Results are based on the distribution system's highest percent positives. Compliance is based on the combined samples from the distribution system.
- Compliance based on the running quarterly annual average of distribution system samples.
- Aluminum has a Secondary MCL of 200 ppb.
- Pour plate technique -- monthly averages.
- TOCs are taken at the treatment plant's combined filter effluent.
- Treated Water sampled in 2006

### Abbreviations

AL = Regulatory Action Level  
ACU = Apparent Color Units  
CCWA = Central Coast Water Authority  
CFU/ml = Colony Forming Units per milliliter  
DHS = Department of Health Services  
DLR = Detection Level for purposes of Reporting  
MCL = Maximum Contaminant Level  
MCLG = Maximum Contaminant Level Goal  
MFL = Million Fibers Per Liter  
MRDL = Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level  
MRDLG = Maximum Residual Disinfectant Goal  
NA = Not Applicable  
NC = Not Collected  
NL = Notification Level  
NTU = Nephelometric Turbidity Units  
pCi/L = PicoCuries per liter  
PHG = Public Health Goal  
ppb = parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (µg/L)  
ppm = parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/L)  
PPWTP = Polonio Pass Water Treatment Plant  
SI = Saturation Index  
TOC = Total Organic Carbon  
TT = Treatment Technique  
UCMR = Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Regulation  
µmho/cm = micromhos per centimeter  
(unit of specific conductance of water)