

Environmental Share

Drinking Water Quality



Who Ensures that Morenci has Safe Water to Drink?

MWE operates a water treatment plant to provide safe drinking water to Morenci Town Site, Clifton and the Mine.

Where is the Source of Our Drinking Water?

Our drinking water source comes from Lower Eagle Creek that is pumped to Silver Basin and then pumped to Morenci's water treatment plant and then finally to your water tap.

How is Our Water Tested?

MWE conducts various samples according to Arizona's Drinking Water Quality Standards. These various tests are conducted prior to sending the drinking water to you. Test results are sent to the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) and Arizona Department of Water Resources for compliance.

What Happens if the Drinking Water Quality Fails a Test?

If a drinking water sample were to ever fail a quality test, MWE is legally required to notify ADEQ and all of its consumers of the failed quality test. Part of this notification requirement includes how MWE will correct the issue and how MWE will continue to providing quality drinking water.

How do I Learn More about Morenci's Drinking Water Quality?

MWE sends out an annual Consumer Confidence Report every summer in your monthly bill. This report includes Morenci drinking water sample data collected by a third party hired by ADEQ. A copy of this report can also be found at the MWE Office.