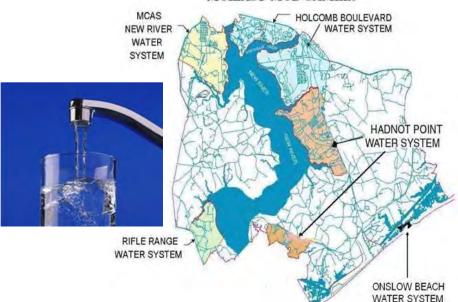
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pCi/L	pCi/L: picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)						



# **Questions?**

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# 2016 Annual Water Quality Report

# Holcomb Boulevard Water Treatment System PWSID# 04-67-043



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# **Source Water**

Eighteen drinking water supply wells provide groundwater from the Castle Hayne Aquifer to the Holcomb Boulevard Water Treatment Plant (WTP). There, the raw water is treated by filtration, disinfection, and softening practices prior to distribution to our customers.

The North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality, Public Water Supply Section, Source Water Assessment Program (SWAP) conducted assessments for all drinking water sources across North Carolina in order to determine the susceptibility of each drinking water source to potential contaminant sources. More information on the SWAP, including source water assessment reports, can be found on the web at http://www.ncwater.org/?page=600.





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Regulated	MCLG MCL, Amount Range Year Violation Typical So		Typical Source					
Contaminants	MRDLG	Detected Sempled		Typical Source				
Disinfectants & Disinfe	ction By-Pro	ducts						
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) (ppb)	NA	60 (LRAA)	40 <sup>1</sup>	15	54	2016	No	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHMs) (ppb)	NA	80 (LRAA)	73 <sup>1</sup>	30 93 <sup>2</sup> 2016 No By-product of drinking water disinfection		By-product of drinking water disinfection		
Inorganic Contaminant	s							
Fluoride (ppm)	4	4	0.76	NA		2015	No	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Radioactive Contamina	nts							
Radium (combined 226/228) (pCi/L)	0	5	0.7	NA		2013	No	Erosion of natural deposits

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Regulated Contaminants	MCLG	AL	Amount Detected	Year Sampled	# Samples Exceeding AL	Exceeds AL	Typical Source	
<b>Inorganic Contam</b>	inants							
Copper (ppm)	1.3	1.3	< 0.05	2016	0	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits	
Lead (ppb)	0	15	< 3	2016	0	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits	٦١

Lead and Drinking Water If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. MCB CAMLEJ's Holcomb Boulevard Water Treatment System is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.

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MCB CAMLEJ conducted additional monitoring as part of Phase 3 of the EPA's Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule (UCMR3). Information collected through the monitoring of these contaminants/chemicals will help the EPA make future decisions on drinking water standards. This table lists all of the unregulated constituents that were detected during UCMR3 sampling.

Contaminants	Average	Rai	Year	
Contaminants	Level	Low	High	Sampled
UCMR3 Contamin	ants			
Chlorate (ppb)	333	130	570	2013
Hexavalent chromium (ppb)	0.11	.088	0.14	2013
Strontium (ppb)	148	130	160	2013

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# NEW RIVER WATER SYSTEM HADNOT POINT WATER SYSTEM RIFLE RANGE WATER SYSTEM

# **Questions?**

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# 2016 Annual Water Quality Report

Hadnot Point Water Treatment System
PWSID# 04-67-041



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Twenty-six drinking water supply wells provide groundwater from the Castle Hayne Aquifer to the Hadnot Point Water Treatment Plant (WTP). There, the raw water is treated by filtration, disinfection, and softening practices prior to distribution to our customers.

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Regulated Contaminants	MCLG or	MCL, TT, or	Amount Detected		nge	Year Sampled	Violation	Typical Source
Contaminants	MRDLG	MRDL	Detected	Low	High	Sampleu		
Disinfectants & Disinfe	ction By-Pro	oducts						
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) (ppb)	NA	60 (LRAA)	27 <sup>1</sup>	14	38	2016	No	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHMs) (ppb)	NA	80 (LRAA)	73 <sup>1</sup>	30	129 <sup>2</sup>	2016	No	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Inorganic Contaminant	Inorganic Contaminants							
Fluoride (ppm)	4	4	0.71	N	ĪΑ	2015	No	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories

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Regulated Contaminants	MCLG	AL	Amount Detected	Year Sampled	# Samples Exceeding AL	Exceeds AL	Typical Source
<b>Inorganic Contam</b>	inants						
Copper (ppm)	1.3	1.3	< 0.05	2014	0	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits
Lead (ppb)	0	15	< 3	2014	0	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits

Lead and Drinking Water If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. MCB CAMLEJ's Hadnot Point Water Treatment System is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.

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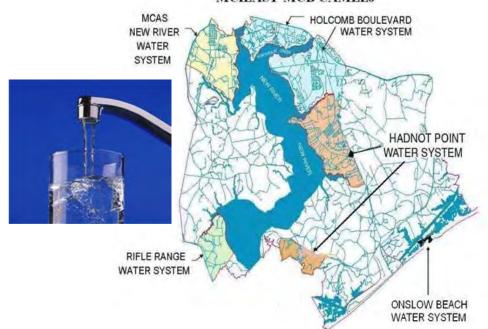
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Contaminants	Level	Low High		Sampled	
UCMR3 Contamin	ants				
Chlorate (ppb)	229	88	400	2014	
Chromium (ppb)	31	Only De	etection	2014	
Hexavalent chromium (ppb)	0.11	0.09	0.12	2014	
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Vanadium (ppb)	0.21	Only De	etection	2014	

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# 2016 Annual Water Quality Report

MCAS New River Water Treatment System
PWSID# 04-67-042



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Regulated	' Violation		Typical Source						
Contaminants	MRDLG	MRDL	Detected	Low	High	Sampled	v ioiation	Typical Source	
Disinfectants & Disinfection By-Products									
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) (ppb)	NA	60 (LRAA)	27 <sup>1</sup>	7	51	2016	No	By-product of drinking water disinfection	
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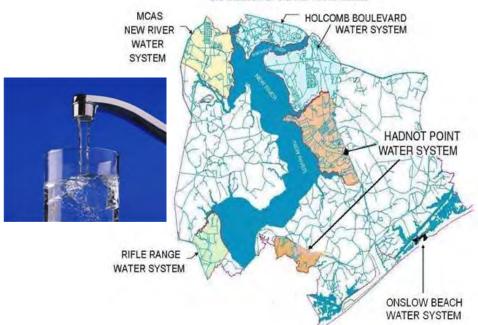
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Chlorate (ppb)	655	210	1100	2015					
Strontium (ppb)	195	120	250	2015					

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Importan	Important Drinking Water Definitions/Terms								
Term	Definition								
MCLG	Maximum Contaminant Level Goal: 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.								
MCL	Maximum Contaminant Level: 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.								
TT	Treatment Technique: A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.								
AL	Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.								
MRDLG	Maximum residual disinfection level goal. 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.								
MRDL	Maximum residual disinfectant level. 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.								
NA	Not applicable								
SDWA	Safe Drinking Water Act: The federal law that protects public drinking water supplies throughout the nation.								
UCMR	Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule: Monitoring used by the EPA to collect data for contaminants that are suspected to be present in drinking water and do not have health-based standards set under the SDWA.								

Unit Descriptions									
Term	Definition								
ppm	ppm: parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/L)								
ppb	ppb: parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (μg/L)								



# **Questions?**

For more information about this report, or for any questions relating to your drinking water, please call Robert Lowder (EMD) at (910) 451-5068.

# 2016 Annual Water Quality Report

Rifle Range Water Distribution System
PWSID# 04-67-046



Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune (MCB CAMLEJ) is pleased to present this year's Annual Water Quality Report (Consumer Confidence Report) as required by the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA). This report is designed to provide details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to standards set by regulatory agencies. This report is a snapshot of last year's water quality.

MCB CAMLEJ is committed to providing you with information because informed customers are our best allies.

# **Source Water**

The MCB CAMLEJ Rifle Range distribution system is supplied with drinking water from the Onslow Water and Sewer Authority (ONWASA), PWSID # 04-67-035. Eight water supply wells provide groundwater from the Castle Hayne Aquifer to ONWASA's Dixon Water Treatment Plant. There, the raw water is treated by filtration, disinfection, and softening practices prior to entering the Rifle Range's distribution system. A copy of ONWASA's 2016 Water Quality Report can be accessed at http://www.onwasa.com.

The North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality, Public Water Supply Section, Source Water Assessment Program (SWAP) conducted assessments for all drinking water sources across North Carolina in order to determine the susceptibility of each drinking water source to potential contaminant sources. More information on the SWAP, including source water assessment reports, can be found on the web at <a href="http://www.ncwater.org/?page=600">http://www.ncwater.org/?page=600</a>.



Water Quality Data MCB CAMLEJ routinely monitors for more than 150 contaminants that could potentially be in your drinking water. The EPA or the State requires us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not vary significantly from year to year, or the system is not considered vulnerable to this type of contamination. As such, some of our data, though representative, may be more than one year old. Unless otherwise noted, the table below lists all of the regulated drinking water contaminants that were detected during the 2016 calendar year. Although many more contaminants were tested, only those substances listed below were found in your water. In this table you will find terms and abbreviations that might not be familiar to you. To help you better understand these terms, definitions and abbreviations have been provided on the next page. In 2016, the Rifle Range distribution system met all Federal and State drinking water standards.

Regulated	MCLG or	MCL, TT, or	Amount	Range		Year	Violation	Typical Source	
Contaminants	MRDLG MRDL Detected Low High Sampled		Typical Source						
Disinfectants & Disinfection By-Products									
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) (ppb)	NA	60 (LRAA)	33 <sup>1</sup>	27	33	2016	No	By-product of drinking water disinfection	
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHMs) (ppb)	NA	80 (LRAA)	79 <sup>1</sup>	46	79	2016	No	By-product of drinking water disinfection	
Inorganic Contaminants									
Fluoride (ppm)	4	4	$0.66^2$	N	ΙA	2015	No	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories	

Result reported is the highest locational running annual average (LRAA).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Data obtained from sampling conducted at ONWASA's Dixon Water Treatment Plant prior to delivery to the Rifle Range distribution system

Regulated Contaminants	MCLG	AL	Amount Detected	Year Sampled	# Samples Exceeding AL	Exceeds AL	Typical Source		
Inorganic Contaminants									
Copper (ppm)	1.3	1.3	0.36	2016	0	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits		
Lead (ppb)	0	15	< 3	2016	0	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits		

Lead and Drinking Water If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. MCB CAMLEJ's Rifle Range Water Distribution System is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.

Additional information about lead and drinking water can be viewed on the web at http://www.lejeune.marines.mil/Offices-Staff/Environmental-Mgmt/.

Voluntary Sampling Program In addition to what is required by regulation, and as part of our commitment to ensure that we are providing the safest, most reliable drinking water possible to our Base population, MCB CAMLEJ has monitored drinking water for compounds found in explosives (nitroaromatics nitramines, nitrate esters) and perchlorate in finished water since 2004, and raw groundwater starting in 2011. These compounds, commonly known as "munitions constituents", are used in the manufacture of explosives or are the breakdown products of compounds used in explosives. Voluntary water sampling in 2016 detected traces of one munitions constituent in the finished and one munitions constituent in the Rifle Range distribution system. These trace amounts are not considered to be a public health concern. There are no MCLs established for munitions constituents.

Additionally, MCB CAMLEJ sampled finished water for Volatile Organic Contaminants, Synthetic Organic Contaminants and inorganic contaminants. This sampling was done voluntarily above what is required by current regulations. Results of all voluntary testing were within regulatory drinking water standards

Detections for voluntary sampling conducted throughout the Rifle Range system can be viewed on the web at:

http://www.lejeune.marines.mil/OfficesStaff/EnvironmentalMgmt/AnnualReports.aspx

Substances That Could Be in Water 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. U.S. Food and Drug Administration regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health. 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.

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, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Substances that may be present in source water include:

Microbial Contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife;

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

Pesticides and Herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses;

Organic Chemical Contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems;

Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

For more information about contaminants and potential health effects, call the USEPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791.

# **UCMR3 Monitoring**

Additional monitoring was conducted at ONWASA's Dixon WTP as part of Phase 3 of the EPA's Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule (UCMR3). Information collected through the monitoring of these contaminants/chemicals will help the EPA make future decisions on drinking water standards. This table lists all of the unregulated constituents that were detected during UCMR3 sampling.

Contaminants	Average	Ra	Year							
Contaminants	Level	Low	High	Sampled						
UCMR3 Contaminants										
Hexavalent chromium (ppb)	0.09	0.04	0.14	2015						
Strontium (ppb)	118.6	114	123.2	2015						

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