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Public Water Supply name(s): <b>Freezy Water Association</b>		7-digit Public Water Supply ID #(s): <b>0400003 &amp; 0400018</b>	
<b>Distribution</b> (Methods used to distribute CCR to our customers)			
<input type="checkbox"/> I. CCR directly delivered using one or more method below:			
<input type="checkbox"/> *Provided direct Web address to customer <input type="checkbox"/> Hand delivered <input type="checkbox"/> Mail paper copy <input type="checkbox"/> Email		*Add direct Web address (URL) here:  Example: "The current CCR is available at <a href="http://www.waterworld.org/ccrMay2023/0830001.pdf">www.waterworld.org/ccrMay2023/0830001.pdf</a> call (000) 000-0000 for paper copy".	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> II. Published the complete CCR in the local newspaper.		Date(s) published: <b>June 8, 2023</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> III. Inform customers the CCR will not be mailed but is available upon request. List method(s) used (examples - newspaper, water bills, newsletter, etc.).		Date(s) notified:	
		Location distributed:	
<input type="checkbox"/> IV. Post the complete CCR continuously at the local water office. <input type="checkbox"/> "Good Faith Effort" in other public buildings with the water system service area (i.e. City Hall, Public Library, etc.)		Date:	
		Locations posted:	
<b>Certification</b>			
This Community public water system confirms it has distributed its Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) to its customers and the appropriate notices of availability have been given and that the information contained in its CCR is correct and consistent with the compliance monitoring data previously submitted to the MS State Department of Health, Bureau of Public Water Supply and the requirements of the CCR rule.			
Name: <b>Penny G. Scott</b>		Title: <b>Mgr / operator</b>	Date: <b>6/8/23</b>
<b>Submittal</b>			
Email the following required items to <a href="mailto:water.reports@msdh.ms.gov">water.reports@msdh.ms.gov</a> regardless of distribution methods used. 1. CCR (Water Quality Report)      2. Certification      3. Proof of delivery method(s)			

**2022 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report**  
**Freeny Water Association**  
**PWS#: 0400003 & 0400018**  
**May 2023**

We're pleased to present to you this year's Annual Quality Water Report. This report is designed to inform you about the quality water and services we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water.

#### **Contact & Meeting Information**

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact Penny Scott at 601.267.8266. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. They are held on the first Monday of each month at 5:00 PM at Freeny Water Association Office.

#### **Source of Water**

Our water source is from wells drawing from the Lower Wilcox Aquifer. The source water assessment has been completed for our public water system to determine the overall susceptibility of its drinking water supply to identify potential sources of contamination. A report containing detailed information on how the susceptibility determinations were made has been furnished to our public water system and is available for viewing upon request. The wells for the Freeny Water Association have received lower to moderate susceptibility rankings to contamination.

#### **Period Covered by Report**

We routinely monitor for contaminants in your drinking water according to federal and state laws. This report is based on results of our monitoring period of January 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022. In cases where monitoring wasn't required in 2022, the table reflects the most recent testing done in accordance with the laws, rules, and regulations.

As water travels over the surface of land or underground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive materials and can pick up substances or contaminants from the presence of animals or from human activity; microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, that 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 storm-water 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 storm-water 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 and septic systems; 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 that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. All drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. It's important to remember that the presence of these contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk.

#### **Terms and Abbreviations**

In the table you may find unfamiliar terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms we've provided the following definitions:

**Action Level (AL)**: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system must follow.

**Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)**: The "Maximum Allowed" (MCL) is 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 (MCLG)**: The "Goal"(MCLG) is 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 (MRDL)**: The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary to control microbial contaminants.

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

**Parts per billion (ppb) or micrograms per liter**: one part by weight of analyte to 1 billion parts by weight of the water sample.

**Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l)**: one part by weight of analyte to 1 million parts by weight of the water sample.

PWS ID#: 0400003									TEST RESULTS								
Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Date Collected	Level Detected	Range of Detects or # of Samples Exceeding MCL/ACL	Unit Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination									
<b>Inorganic Contaminants</b>																	
10. Barium	N	2022	.0137	.0131 - .0137	ppm	2	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits									
14. Copper	N	2019/21*	.4	0	ppm	1.3	AL=1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives									
16. Fluoride	N	2022	.104	No Range	ppm	4	4	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories									
17. Lead	N	2019/21*	1	0	ppb	0	AL=15	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits									
<b>Unregulated Contaminants</b>																	
Sodium	N	2022	101	76.8- 101	ppm	20	0	Road Salt, Water Treatment Chemicals, Water Softeners and Sewage Effluents.									
<b>Disinfection By-Products</b>																	
81. HAA5	N	2022	7.09	No Range	ppb	0	60	By-Product of drinking water disinfection.									
82. TTHM [Total trihalomethanes]	N	2022	28.1	No Range	ppb	0	80	By-product of drinking water chlorination.									
Chlorine	N	2022	1.2	.7 – 1.7	mg/l	0	MDRL = 4	Water additive used to control microbes									

\* Most recent sample. No sample required for 2022.

PWS ID#: 0400018									TEST RESULTS								
Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Date Collected	Level Detected	Range of Detects or # of Samples Exceeding MCL/ACL	Unit Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination									
<b>Inorganic Contaminants</b>																	
10. Barium	N	2022	.0228	.0215 - .0228	ppm	2	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits									
14. Copper	N	2018/20*	.4	0	ppm	1.3	AL=1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives									
17. Lead	N	2018/20*	1	0	ppb	0	AL=15	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits									
<b>Unregulated Contaminants</b>																	
Sodium	N	2022	73.4	60.1 – 73.4	ppb	0	0	Road Salt, Water Treatment Chemicals, Water Softeners and Sewage Effluents.									
<b>Disinfection By-Products</b>																	
81. HAA5	N	2022	7.49	No Range	ppb	0	60	By-Product of drinking water disinfection.									
82. TTHM [Total trihalomethanes]	N	2022	18.9	No Range	ppb	0	80	By-product of drinking water chlorination.									
Chlorine	N	2022	1.3	.7 – 1.8	mg/l	0	MDRL = 4	Water additive used to control microbes									

\* Most recent sample. No sample required for 2022.

Sodium: EPA recommends that drinking water sodium not exceed 20 milligrams per liter (mg/L). Excess sodium from salt in the diet increases the risk of high blood

We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a monthly basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. In an effort to ensure systems complete all monitoring requirements, MSDH now notifies systems of any missing samples prior to the end of the compliance period.

#### **LEAD INFORMATION**

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. Our water 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>. The Mississippi State Department of Health Public Health Laboratory offers lead testing. Please contact 601.576.7582 if you wish to have your water tested.

#### **VIOLATIONS**

As you can see by the table, our system had no violations. We're proud that your drinking water meets or exceeds all Federal and State requirements. We have learned through our monitoring and testing that some contaminants have been detected, however the EPA has determined that your water IS SAFE at these levels.

#### **UNREGULATED CONTAMINANTS**

Unregulated contaminants are those for which EPA has not established drinking water standards. The purpose of unregulated contaminant monitoring is to assist EPA in determining the occurrence of unregulated contaminants in drinking water and whether future regulations are warranted.

All sources of drinking water are subject to potential contamination by substances that are naturally occurring or man-made. These substances can be microbes, inorganic or organic chemicals and radioactive substances. All 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 the 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 at 1.800.426.4791.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than 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* and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline 1.800.426.4791.

The Freney Water Association works around the clock to provide top quality water to every tap. We ask that all our customers help us protect our water sources, which are the heart of our community, our way of life and our children's future.

# First responders catch variety of alarms

Four vehicle crashes to brush blazes, Leake County first responders started on the jump after the first week.

Detailed information from Carthage Fire Department was not available due to technical problems with a recently installed computer reporting system.

Calls answered over the last week included:

**Tuesday, May 30**  
 • 11:30 a.m., Carthage

Fire Department jogged out for an all-terrain vehicle fire at the intersection of Old Canton Road and Jackson Avenue.

**Wednesday, May 31**

• 1:02 a.m., Carthage FD responded to a vehicle crash on Highway 35N and Hayes Boulevard.

• 5:41 a.m., Edinburg Volunteer Fire Department reported to a crash involving an ATV and an automobile on Thornton

Road.  
 • 9:51 a.m., Carthage FD answered a medical assistance call on Crane Road.

**Thursday, June 1**

• 1:11 p.m., Walnut Grove Volunteer Fire Department dispatched for a grass fire on Estes Mill Road.

• 8:13 a.m., Walnut Grove VFD pulled out to fight a woods fire on Rosebud School Road.  
 • 9:05 p.m., Carthage

FD pulled to Massey Circle and a fire alarm.

**Friday, June 2**

• 8:18 p.m., Madden Volunteer Fire Department deployed grass fire on Chitto Cove.

**Saturday, June 3**

• 8:06 p.m., Carthage FD reported to Choctaw Road for a transformer sparking.

**Sunday, June 4**

• 6:21 a.m., Okolona

Volunteer Fire Department rolled out for a car crash at the intersection of Rod Dog Road and Truesdale Road.

• 5:22 p.m., Leake County Correctional Volunteer Fire Department reported to Skandling Pine Road for a medical assistance call.

• 5:55 p.m., Edinburg VFD pushed to Gadlitz Road for a brush blaze.

**Monday, June 5**

• 1:19 a.m., Barnes

Volunteer Fire Department answered a call to a one-car wreck on Highway 35N.

• 8:11 a.m., Walnut Grove VFD dispatched to a two-car crash at the intersection of Highway 35 and Runner Street.

• Barnes VFD answered a summons to Dunbar Road and a reported gas leak.

• 8:54 p.m., Leake Correctional VFD jogged out for a car rolled across Wiggins Loop Road.

## City officer suffers injury during chase

Carthage Police Department reported an officer injured in a chase Thursday morning was recovering well as of Monday evening.

Police Chief Billy McMillan said Brad Horn was injured, then transported to Baptist Memorial Hospital-Leake where he was treated and released.

Meanwhile, a search continued for a suspect driving a dark colored Dodge Charger with a custom tag who sped away from Carthage police that morning.

Investigator Ray

Chamblee did not identify the suspect in the case other than to say he and local convictions and was listed with the National Crime Information Center as the subject of felony warrants in Scott County and in Louisiana. Charges in those cases were not given.

The suspect, Chamblee, was a convicted felon on a charge of felony fleeing. The case developed, the investigator said, about 10:15 a.m. after the police department received an anonymous phone call in which it was alleged the driver of a car with the

same description had been making illegal turns.

Shortly afterward, officers spotted the car, bearing Harrison County plates, at a convenience store at the intersection of Highway 163 and Main Street, he said.

Two officers, he said, including Horn, approached the vehicle, which suddenly sped away. Shoving Horn into a storehouse proceeding to a fuel pump, the car then struck the officer.

From the store parking lot the car, and Chamblee, sped to Highway 35 and turned north, leading a pursuit police called off as it neared Tyson Foodline's plant.

He said the pursuit had become too dangerous with the Dodge passing vehicles on double lines and on hills and weaving over the road.

## Officers jail man on Natchez Trace

Erratic and suspicious driving led a woman to flag down a Leake County officer who arrested a Carthage man.

Deputy Keith Brown, arrested Damon Bernard Burkes, 18, of Camp Road, for a weapons charge Monday morning, May 29, said Sheriff Randy Atkinson.

The arrest, he said, came shortly after 8:30 a.m. when a female flagger cited flagger down the department's license a white pickup had repeatedly cut her off.

He said the officer saw one of the maneuverers as the woman signaled for help, stopped the truck near mile marker 110 and

found Burkes at the wheel.

He said Burkes could produce no driver's license and no proof of insurance, but the car lacked what appeared to be marijuana.

Officers searched the vehicle and found, the sheriff said, a cache of marijuana and a firearm, which had been reported stolen in Cullman, Ala.

He said charges against Burkes included possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, possession of a stolen firearm, possession of marijuana, a motor vehicle while in possession of a firearm, no license and no proof of insurance.

## Cops report two injured Saturday

Leake County authorities reported two people injured in a shooting incident Saturday on Sanders Lane.

Sheriff Randy Atkinson said shooting victims were identified as Jeremiah Banks and Markovus Washington; ages, addresses and medical conditions not available.

He said officers responded to a report of a subject injured in a shooting and, as they responded, a report indicated two had been injured.

He said Deputy Josh Fry arrived and was advised Banks had been transported to a hospital by a private vehicle.

A second victim was transported by a private vehicle shortly after the sheriff's office was notified.

By then, he said, a suspect, as yet not identified by the sheriff's office, had been identified to the officer.

Officers found five bul-

## Birthdays

**June 8**  
 Clarice Nash, Paul Wright, Bill McCann, Jr., Brock Tibbe, Jessica Lynn Patterson, Larry McBeth

**June 9**  
 Larry Sims, Janie Lanther, Nancy Kelle, Anna Frapps, Felia Jones, Palma Jones, Jr., Angie Atkinson, Jimmy Hall, Steven Avery, Hans Jones

**June 10**  
 Stephanie Smith, Danny Roland

**June 11**  
 Jodie Lee, Anita Moss, Brent Bailey, Braden Fitzhugh, Amy Patrick, Jakiya Hanna, Tony Dondle

**June 12**  
 Allison Taley, Joe T. Crawford, Carolyn Whittington, Renae Wilcher

**June 13**  
 Kerry Easley, Melvin Reddaway, Antie Hall, Neece Jamison, Cyndi Wilcher

**June 14**  
 Mark Sumrell, Shanon Lucas, Kerri Cook, Matthew Brooks Lester, Whitlase Witzel

## Sealed Bids on Lawncare Services City of Carthage

The City of Carthage will be accepting sealed bids on Lawn Grass Services for the following locations. To make an appointment to look at the locations call City Clerk Penny Spears at 601-267-8322.

Maintain grass & shrubs to include weed eating frequency: weekly. All bids are due by Thursday June 29, 2023 at City Hall to Penny Spears.

- Matlock Park
- Library
- Old Elementary
- Hwy 16 West from Red Light at Hwy 16 & Hwy 35 - both sides of the road to the end of the city limits.

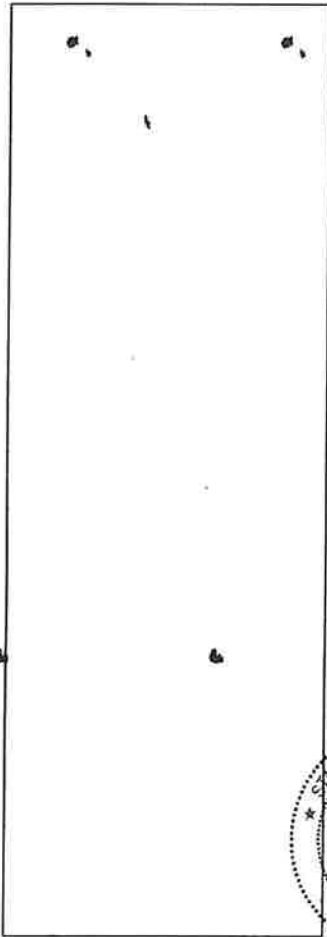
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PWS ID: 020001		TEST RESULTS	
<b>Inorganic Contaminants</b>			
As	0.00	0.01	0.01
Ba	0.00	0.01	0.01
Ca	120.00	120.00	120.00
Cl	10.00	10.00	10.00
Cr	0.00	0.01	0.01
Cu	0.00	0.01	0.01
F	0.00	0.01	0.01
Fe	0.00	0.01	0.01
Mn	0.00	0.01	0.01
Mo	0.00	0.01	0.01
N	0.00	0.01	0.01
Ni	0.00	0.01	0.01
P	0.00	0.01	0.01
Pb	0.00	0.01	0.01
S	0.00	0.01	0.01
Se	0.00	0.01	0.01
Si	0.00	0.01	0.01
Sr	0.00	0.01	0.01
Ta	0.00	0.01	0.01
Tb	0.00	0.01	0.01
Ti	0.00	0.01	0.01
Tl	0.00	0.01	0.01
V	0.00	0.01	0.01
W	0.00	0.01	0.01
Zn	0.00	0.01	0.01
<b>Unregulated Contaminants</b>			
<b>Disinfection By-Products</b>			
Chloroform	0.00	0.01	0.01
Dibromochloromethane	0.00	0.01	0.01
Dibromodichloromethane	0.00	0.01	0.01
Dibromomethane	0.00	0.01	0.01
Trihalomethanes	0.00	0.01	0.01
<b>PWS ID: 020018</b>			
<b>TEST RESULTS</b>			
<b>Inorganic Contaminants</b>			
As	0.00	0.01	0.01
Ba	0.00	0.01	0.01
Ca	120.00	120.00	120.00
Cl	10.00	10.00	10.00
Cr	0.00	0.01	0.01
Cu	0.00	0.01	0.01
F	0.00	0.01	0.01
Fe	0.00	0.01	0.01
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Mo	0.00	0.01	0.01
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Ni	0.00	0.01	0.01
P	0.00	0.01	0.01
Pb	0.00	0.01	0.01
S	0.00	0.01	0.01
Se	0.00	0.01	0.01
Si	0.00	0.01	0.01
Sr	0.00	0.01	0.01
Ta	0.00	0.01	0.01
Tb	0.00	0.01	0.01
Ti	0.00	0.01	0.01
Tl	0.00	0.01	0.01
V	0.00	0.01	0.01
W	0.00	0.01	0.01
Zn	0.00	0.01	0.01
<b>Unregulated Contaminants</b>			
<b>Disinfection By-Products</b>			
Chloroform	0.00	0.01	0.01
Dibromochloromethane	0.00	0.01	0.01
Dibromodichloromethane	0.00	0.01	0.01
Dibromomethane	0.00	0.01	0.01
Trihalomethanes	0.00	0.01	0.01

**PROOF OF PUBLICATION**

**THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
LEAKE COUNTY**

Personally came before the undersigned Authority Amanda Dowdle duly qualified for Leake County, Mississippi Waid Prather Publisher of *THE CARTHAGINIAN*, a newspaper, published in the City of Carthage, State and County aforesaid, who being duly sworn, deposes and says that the publication of notice, of which the annexed is a copy, has been made in said paper 1 time consecutively, to wit.



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**THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI,  
LEAKE COUNTY**

Personally appeared before me, Amanda Dowdle, Notary Public of said County and State, the above name Waid Prather, Publisher, who being duly sworn declares that the publication was made as stated and that he signed \_\_\_\_\_ instrument on the day of the year therein mentioned.



Given under my hand this 8th day of June 2023.

Amanda Dowdle Notary Public.  
My commission expires on the 16th day of August, 2025

June 8, 2023

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