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City fares well in water quality report

San Angelo's water met all federal and state guidelines for regulated contaminants, according to the 2014 Consumer Confidence Report.

The nine-page report on the quality of San Angelo's drinking water, which is required by the federal Safe Drinking Water Act, is available at cosatx.us/ccr2014. It provides information about San Angelo's water system, its water sources, mineral levels and detected contaminants.

"While the taste of San Angelo's water is definitely impacted by the many minerals in our surface water supplies, there's no question it more than meets all requirements for safety," Water Quality Superintendent Tymn Combest said. "The taste and the quality of our water should improve when the Hickory Aquifer comes fully online this fall."

Among the interesting tidbits in the report:

- The total number of gallons pumped in 2013 was 4.3 billion gallons, down from 4.53 billion in 2012 and 5.75 billion in 2011.
- Average daily usage in San Angelo last year was 13 million gallons compared to 14 million in 2012 and 17 million in 2011.
- The average per person usage in 2013 was 132 gallons compared to 150 in 2012 and 177 the year before that.
- Residential users accounted for 69 percent of the water consumed last year compared to 15 percent by commercial users, 7 percent by industry, 6 percent by institutional users (the City, county, school district, Angelo State University, Goodfellow Air Force Base, etc.), and 3 percent by wholesale users.
- The number of miles of pipeline in San Angelo's water infrastructure jumped from 672 to 750, due largely to the 62-mile pipeline from the Hickory Aquifer.
- San Angelo had 856 more water meters (39,804 total) in 2013 than in 2012. During that same span, the population increased by 1,343 to 95,887.
- The City is replacing 20,000 feet of water mains at a cost of \$1.3 million this year and next.

"For anyone interested in San Angelo's water system and water quality, this report offers a wealth of information," Combest said.

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