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## **The Board of Public Utilities Releases Water Quality Report**

**CHEYENNE, WY** – Access to reliable, safe drinking water is essential to a community’s health, vitality and economy. According to the City of Cheyenne Board of Public Utilities’ (Board) 2017 Consumer Confidence Report (CCR), also known as a water quality report, Cheyenne’s drinking water continues to be safe and water quality meets or exceeds federal and local drinking water standards. Or, in other words, Cheyenne’s drinking water is better than the drinking water standards established by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

The CCR is a federally mandated report with information about where Cheyenne’s water comes from and how the treated water compares to the federal rules regarding drinking water quality. The Board publishes the report, with the results of water quality analyses conducted in accordance with the Safe Drinking Water Act, annually. Instead of mailing a copy of the report to every household, the Board published the report online at [www.cheyennecity.org/ccr](http://www.cheyennecity.org/ccr). Customers who want to receive a printed copy of the report should call customer service at (307) 637-6460.

What makes Cheyenne’s drinking water safe? Our drinking water is safe because Board employees protect it and make it safe. Water department crews monitor and protect water quality at water sources, during water treatment and as water is delivered to homes and businesses. There is never a time when crews are not watching over Cheyenne’s drinking water. At least two water treatment plant operators monitor Cheyenne’s water system and the treatment processes that make the water safe to drink 24 hours a day, every day.

Cheyenne also has excellent water sources. About 70 percent of Cheyenne’s drinking water comes from mountain streams in the Medicine Bow Mountain Range west of Laramie and from the Laramie Mountain Range west of Cheyenne. Around 30 percent of Cheyenne’s water comes from groundwater wells. These water sources are protected by multiple agencies, including the EPA, U.S. Forest Service, Wyoming State Engineer’s Office, Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality, Wyoming State Parks, Laramie County Conservation District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Board.

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