



The Rooks Report

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Let's talk about it!

**"First Saturday Talk," August 6, 2016 at
South Clayton Recreation Center 10am—12pm.**

What's On Your Mind?

- Please share with us any stories or items that you would like to have put into this newsletter.
- We want your comments about what we are doing for you here in the district. Please provide us your positive feedback and we will post them in this newsletter (see our comments section on page 21).



Shana M. Rooks
Clayton County Commissioner—District 3

Constituents,

We are coming to the end of our fiscal year and planning for Fiscal Year 2017. We have received requests for pay increases for law enforcement/public safety. In order for these pay increases to be granted, the county will have to have a mil increase. One of our chief concerns in law enforcement is retention of officers as well as many other valuable employees across the county. We want well protected communities and we want to adequately compete with other jurisdictions of comparable size in keeping our valued employees here. Share your thoughts with me. I want to hear from you. Email me shana.rooks@claytoncountyga.gov.

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Working for a Better Clayton!

In Service,

Shana M. Rooks, Esq.

Election Information

Voter Registration Deadline for the General Primary Runoff and Nonpartisan General Runoff was **April 26th**

Early/Advance Voting Starts **July 5th—22nd** in the Elections & Registration Office only

Runoff Election Day is July 26th

Check your voter registration status prior to Election Day at: <https://www.mvp.sos.ga.gov/MVP/mvp.do>

Runoff Races are:

District 3 Commissioner: **Eric Bell and Felicia Franklin Warner**

Superior Court Judge (Deborah Benefield): **Robert Mack and Leslie Miller-Terry**

Superior Court Judge (Matthew Simmons): **Shana M. Rooks and Jewel Scott**

The GA House of Representatives—District 77: **Rhonda Burnough and Darryl Jordan**



**BE A
PEDESTRIAN,
NOT A VICTIM !**

On average 1 person will die from injuries
in a traffic crash every 2 hours.

Use a crosswalk when one is
available and avoid
distractions such as electronic
devices that take your
attention off of the road.



*Statistical information from CDC

Clayton County Police Department
7911 N. McDonough St., Jonesboro, Georgia 30236
770-477-3747



Report Non-Emergency Neighborhood Issues on Click Clayton



Click Clayton

Report non-emergency neighborhood issues

From street repair, to tree damage or code enforcement issues, all of these can be reported and the progress of the work monitored.

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Clayton County has partnered with SeeClickFix to announce a new platform called "**Click Clayton**" that will allow citizens to report quality-of-life issues and request Clayton County services.

With free SeeClickFix mobile app and web tools, Clayton County citizens will now be able to provide Clayton County staff with pictures, videos, specific descriptions, and more — valuable information needed to get the job done efficiently. In addition, the SeeClickFix platform provides Clayton County officials with a centralized issue management system to manage issues from creation to resolution — engaging Clayton County citizens throughout the process.

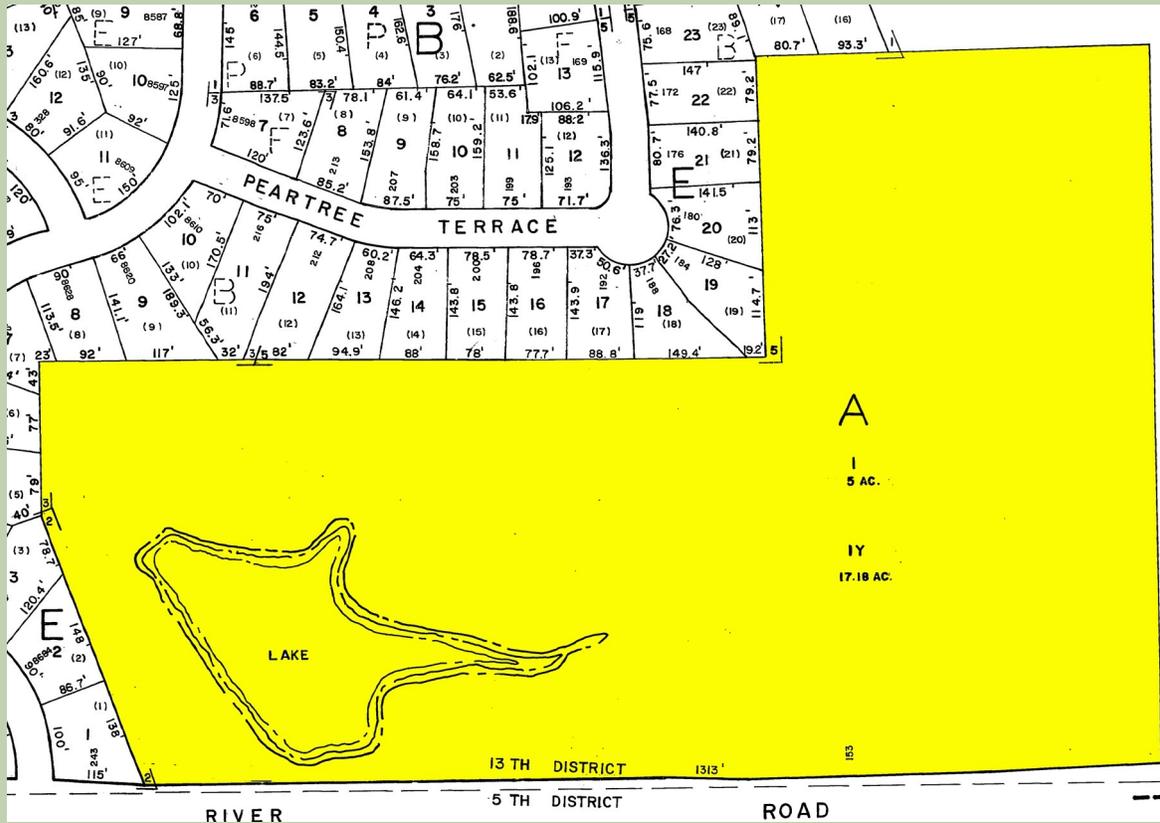
The **Click Clayton** mobile app is available for download on [Android](#) and [iPhone](#). In addition to the mobile apps, citizens can send reports to [Clayton County's website](#) and [seeclickfix.com](#).

Services are for unincorporated Clayton County and do not include areas inside city limits.

In Clayton News



Resolution 2016-85: This Resolution allows the County to purchase 21.845 acres at 153 Flint River Road, Jonesboro, GA to build a recreation and senior center. The county SPLOST funds will be used to purchase the property.



Resolution 2016-99: This Resolution authorizes the Clayton County Board of Commissioners to establish a Veterans' Advisory Board for the purpose of advising on the needs and resources of local veterans.



Submit a Tip

(If you see something, say something)

<u>Web Tip:</u>	Submit a Tip Online
<u>Text-a-Tip:</u>	Text "CLAYTONPD plus your message" to CRIMES (274637).
<u>Mobile Tip:</u>	TipSubmit Mobile (iPhone & Android)



Animal Control Unit

Pet ownership

Owning a pet is a privilege, but the benefits of ownership come with responsibilities.

- Avoid impulsive decisions when selecting a pet
- Select a pet that's suited to your home and lifestyle
- Commit to the relationship for the life of your pet
- Make sure your pet receives proper preventative care and medical attention when needed
- Clean up after your pet
- Limit your pet's reproduction through spay/neuter containment or managed breeding
- Obey all state laws and local ordinances
- Make alternate arrangements if you can no longer provide a home for and care for your pet

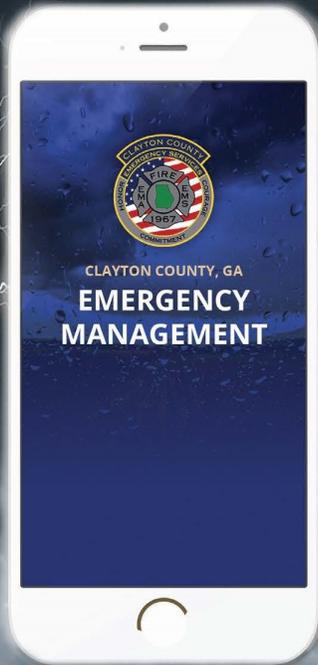
Adoption Prices

Dogs: Female \$75, Male \$65

Cats: Female: \$65, Male \$55

These fees include an adoption fee, a \$10.00 rabies vaccination voucher, and a certificate that can be used towards spay/neuter fees.

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- > REAL-TIME WEATHER ALERTS**
- > SHELTERS & EMERGENCY SERVICES**
- > AND A WHOLE LOT MORE!!!**

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READYCLAYTON**

June 2016

June 4, 2016

MOVIE UNDER THE STARS - Bring your blankets, lawn chairs, and snacks to our FREE Event at Flat Shoals Park. Movie will begin at dusk.



June 11, 2016

YOUTH AND ADULT FISHING DERBY - Cost is \$5 per person. 8:00am until 12:00pm. Located at International Park "The Beach" (Upper Lake). All ages. Please bring bait and equipment. Prizes will be awarded for heaviest Catfish and heaviest Bass. For more information please call (770) 603-4165.

Movie Under the Stars

Free... Movie Night

Movies start at Dusk

5/7 Rex Park • Hotel Transylvania 2

6/4 Flat Shoals Park • Goosebumps

7/22 Lee Street Park • American Anthem
in partnership with Arts Clayton & City of Jonesboro
Hometown Teams Celebration

8/13 International Park "The Beach" • Hunger Games Mockingjay 2

9/10 Gerald Matthews Sports Complex • Cinderella

www.claytonparks.com

Don't forget to bring snacks and a chair!

(Movies may be subject to change or canceled due to inclement weather)



International Park "The Beach"

Let's Go Fishing

8am - 12pm

May 14 Youth Fishing Derby - Free
June 11 Youth and Adult - \$5 per person
July 9 Youth & Adult - \$5 per person
August 6 Youth & Adult - \$5 per person

www.claytonparks.com
770-477-3766

Prizes are awarded
to the largest fish.
- Fishing license is not required -
Bring Fishing Equipment

May & June 2016 @ The Lovejoy Library

Adult Programs

CLASES DE MICROSOFT WORD, POWERPOINT BASICO Y BUSQUEDAS EN INTERNET EN ESPAÑOL

Every Thursday, April 7,14,21,28

May 5,12,19,26

June 9,16,23,30

(11:00 am-1:00pm)

Las clases se dictarán en Español y son gratuitas. Para inscribirse por favor llame al teléfono 770-472-8129. Reservation Required. Participant Limit: 10

Card Gamers Club

Every Monday, (11:30-12:30)

Bridge, Gin Rummy, Spades and more. If you like playing card games, this is the place to be. Bring your favorite deck, and come with a friend or make a new one. Then get ready to play some cards. For adults only. Reservation Required. Participant Limit: 30

Color Your Way to Calmness

Every Monday (12:30pm-1:30pm)

Coloring books are no longer just for the kids. Adult coloring books bring pattern and relaxation to stressful days. Spend quiet time while coloring designs copied from a wide variety of coloring books on to an assortment of paper. The library will provide the colored pencils and coloring sheets. Reservation Required. Participant Limit: 30

eBook Assistance

Friday April 1, May 6, June 3 (11:00am – 12:00pm)

Come and learn how to borrow eBooks from the library. Bring your library card and compatible eReader, laptop, tablet or mobile device.

Reservation Required. Participant Limit: 30

Clayton County Library System

Lovejoy Branch

1721 McDonough Road

Hampton, Georgia 30228

For Information Call 770-472-8129

www.claytonpl.org



May & June 2016 @ The Lovejoy Library

Children's Programs

Recurring Child/Event Storytime

Every Wednesday,
(10:30am-11:15am)

Join us for stories, crafts, music, dance and
lots of laughs! Ages 3 and older

Parrot Productions

Wednesday June 22, 2016
10:30am- 11:30am

Learn about parrots and their behavior, food,
and health. Children will get an opportunity to
interact with and hold the friendly birds.

All Ages

Fruit Fairy

Wednesday June 29, 2016
1:30pm - 2:30pm

The fruit fairy will teach children about healthy eating through fun games and activities.
Ages 3 and older

Come Join

Lovejoy Library's Girl Scout Troup 16059

Meetings Every 2nd & 4th Saturday

10:30am – 1:30pm

Ages 5 and older



Teen Programs

Teen Movie Monday

Every Monday, April, May, June 2016
(4:00pm-5:30pm)

The Lovejoy Library will be hosting Teen
Movies on Mondays. Movies are geared for
middle school to high school grades. Light
snacks will be served during each movie.

After School Club

Every Wednesday, April, May, June 2016
(3:30pm-5:30pm)

The Lovejoy Library will be hosting an
Afternoon School Club Wednesdays. An
enrichment for teens to have some fun with
their peers, chatting or playing games
together. Program is geared for middle school
to high school grades. Teens are welcome to
bring and share their own board games as
well. Reservation Required.

Participant Limit: 30

Teens

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Clayton County Water Authority Water Quality Report 2016

(DATA FROM JANUARY 1, 2015 - DECEMBER 31, 2015)

Dear CCWA Customers,

The Clayton County Water Authority's (CCWA) mission is to provide quality water and quality services to our community. Our water professionals take this mission to heart and work around the clock to ensure that you have reliable, safe drinking water. Our number one priority is to protect public health and the customers we serve.

This 2016 Water Quality Report highlights the fact that our drinking water meets or exceeds all standards set by the Federal and State Governments. Our Water Quality Lab staff performs more than 200,000 water tests throughout our distribution system each year to test for potential contaminants. A summary of those tests is found inside this report. Thank you for entrusting us with the safety of your drinking water.



P. Michael Thomas
General Manager

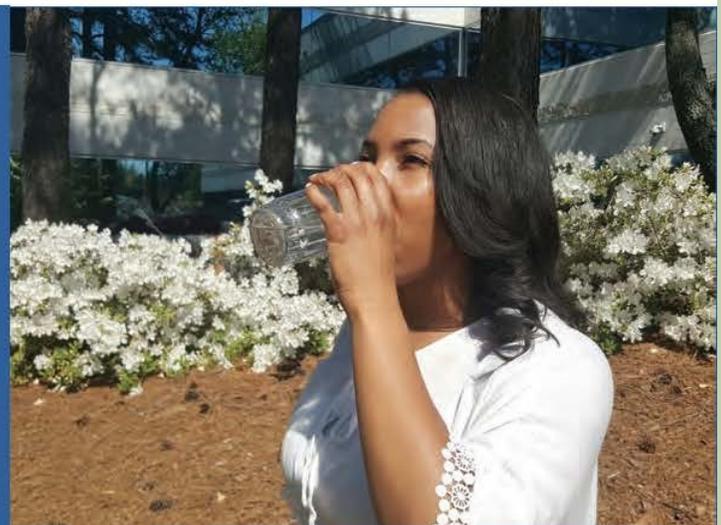
IMPORTANT INFO ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

This report contains very important information about your drinking water. If you do not understand it, please have someone explain it to you.

Este informe contiene información muy importante de su agua potable. Sin no lo entiende, hable con alguien que se lo explique.

Clayton County's Award Winning Water System

Clayton County's water supply comes primarily from surface water, which includes a small amount coming from the Flint River. The majority of our water supply comes from rainfall in Clayton and our surrounding counties that is collected in our five reservoirs. CCWA serves 265,000 people. With three water production facilities, three water reclamation facilities and five raw water reservoirs, we can produce up to 42 million gallons of potable water and treat 38.4 million gallons of wastewater per day. We have potable water storage capacity of 32.1 million gallons stored in seven ground and four elevated storage tanks. Our staff maintains approximately 1,500 miles of water distribution pipes, 1,400 miles of sewer conveyance pipes and 500 miles of stormwater infrastructure. We have earned a reputation throughout the U.S. and the world as innovative stewards of our most precious natural resource and have been named one of the 'Top Water Wise Communities' in the U.S.



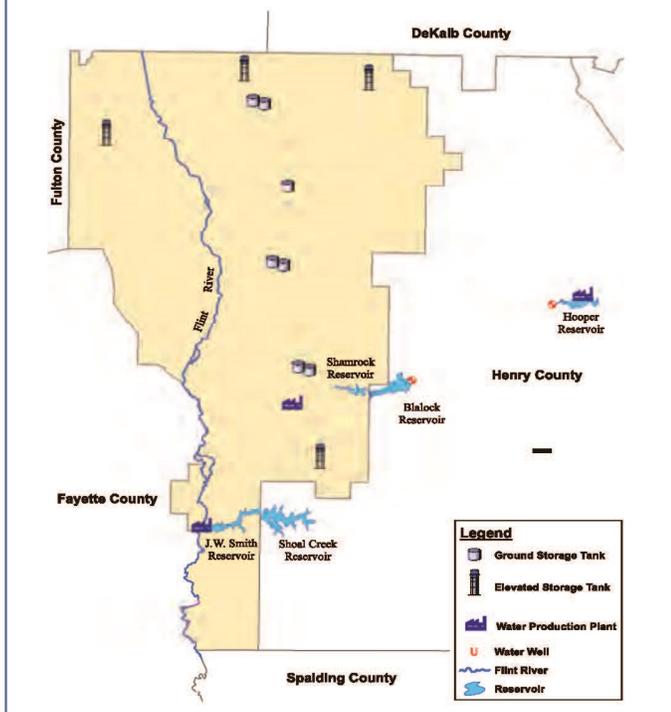
Special Population Advisory

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immune 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 infection. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their healthcare providers. Cryptosporidium is a microbial pathogen found in surface water all throughout the U.S. Ingestion of this pathogen may cause cryptosporidiosis, an abdominal infection. Although filtration removes this pathogen, it does not guarantee 100 % removal. CCWA uses ultraviolet treatment after filtration that completely inactivates any Cryptosporidium not removed during the filtration process. Since Cryptosporidium has not been detected in our source water, it is highly unlikely that it will be found in the drinking water supplied to your home. EPA/Center for Disease Control guidelines on how to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791 or online at: <http://water.epa.gov/drink/hotline/index.cfm>

Source Water Assessment Plan

CCWA has 3 primary watersheds (Little Cotton Indian Creek, Shoal Creek & Pates Creek) that we produce water from directly, and one secondary watershed (Flint River) that we use as a supplement to the 3 primary watersheds. CCWA and the Atlanta Regional Commission have completed a SWAP itemizing potential sources of surface water pollution to your drinking water supply. The complete results are available for public view at our Main Office at 1600 Battle Creek Rd. in Morrow, GA 30260.

The primary sources received a susceptibility ranking of low to medium and the secondary source received a medium to high susceptibility ranking.



CONTAMINANTS

THAT MAY BE PRESENT IN SOURCE WATER BEFORE WE TREAT IT INCLUDE:

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of contaminants. **The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be found by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.** The sources of drinking water (both tap water & bottled water) include surface water (rivers, lakes, ponds, & reservoirs) and ground water (springs & 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 & BACTERIA** MAY COME FROM SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANTS, SEPTIC SYSTEMS, AGRICULTURAL LIVESTOCK, AND WILDLIFE.
- **ORGANIC CHEMICAL CONTAMINANTS, INCLUDING SYNTHETIC & VOLATILE ORGANIC CHEMICALS, WHICH ARE BY-PRODUCTS OF INDUSTRIAL PROCESSES, & PETROLEUM PRODUCTION, AND ALSO COME FROM GAS STATIONS, URBAN STORM WATER RUNOFF, AND SEPTIC SYSTEMS.**
- **INORGANIC CONTAMINANTS, SUCH AS SALTS & METALS, WHICH CAN BE NATURALLY OCCURRING, OR RESULT FROM URBAN STORM WATER RUNOFF, INDUSTRIAL OR DOMESTIC WASTEWATER DISCHARGES, OIL & GAS PRODUCTION, MINING OR FARMING.**
- **PESTICIDES & HERBICIDES, WHICH MAY COME FROM A VARIETY OF SOURCES, SUCH AS AGRICULTURAL & RESIDENTIAL USE.**
- **RADIOACTIVE CONTAMINANTS, WHICH ARE NATURALLY OCCURRING OR CAN BE THE RESULT OF OIL & GAS PRODUCTION & MINING ACTIVITIES.**

Lead Notice

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. CCWA 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. If you would like to know more about CCWA's lead and copper sampling procedures and testing results, please contact Lesley Rathburn, CCWA Water Quality Supervisor at 770-302-3445.

Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791 or online at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Regulated Substances

NON-DISINFECTION SUBSTANCES							
Substances Tested And Detected	Units	Goal (MCLG)	Maximum Allowed (MCL)	Amount Detected	Range Detected	Is it Safe? Does it meet Standards	Probable Source
(A) Copper	ppm	1.3	AL=1.300	0.087	* 1 samples above AL	Yes	corrosion of household plumbing systems
(A) Lead	ppb	0	AL=15	0	* 1 samples above AL	Yes	corrosion of household plumbing systems which
(B) Fluoride	ppm	4	4	0.78	0.00 - 1.39	Yes	Water Additive which promotes strong teeth
Nitrate	ppm	10	10	0.48	0.00 - 0.48	Yes	erosion of natural deposits
(C) Turbidity	NTU	TT	TT	* Highest value of the year 0.230	* % of samples <0.3 NTU 100%	Yes	soil runoff
(D) Total Organic Carbon	NA	TT	TT	1.3	1.1 - 1.5	Yes	naturally present in the environment
(E) Total Coliform	%	0	5%	2.2%	0% - 2.2%	Yes	naturally present in the environment
DISINFECTION SUBSTANCES							
Chlorine	ppm	4	4	1.90	0.01 - 2.16	Yes	Water additive used to control microbes
Chlorine Dioxide	ppm	0.8	0.8	0.016	0.00 - 0.190	Yes	Water additive used to control microbes
Chlorite	ppm	0.8	1	0.39	0.06 - 0.93	Yes	by-product of drinking water chlorination
(F) Haloacetic Acids (HAA)	ppb	0	60	34.8	12.3 - 54.2	Yes	by-product of drinking water chlorination
(F) Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	ppb	0	80	49.7	24.4 - 91.4	Yes	by-product of drinking water chlorination

How to read the report

- 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.
- AL** Action Level: means the concentration of a substance that triggers a treatment or other requirement that a water system must follow * May have up to 5 samples above action level and remain in compliance.
- TT** Treatment Technique: A required method or process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water. * we must report highest monthly value plus the lowest percentage. #'s below 95% would be a violation.
- ml** Milliliter or one-thousandth of a liter. 1 liter is slightly more than a quart.
- ppm** Parts Per Million: means 1 part per 1,000,000 (same as milligram per liter) and corresponds to 1 minute in 2 years, or 1 penny in \$10 thousand dollars. EQUIVALENT TO mg/L (milligrams per Liter)
- ppb** Parts Per Billion: means 1 part per 1,000,000,000 (same as micrograms per liter) and corresponds to 1 minute in 2000 years, or 1 penny in \$10 million dollars.
- 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 microbiological contaminants.
- MRDLG** Maximum Residual Disinfectant 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.
- NTU** Nephelometric Turbidity Unit, a measure of water clarity.

Special Footnotes

- (A) Water from the treatment plant does not contain Lead & Copper, however, under EPA test protocol, water is tested at the consumer's tap. Tap tests show that where a consumer may have lead pipes, or lead-soldered pipes, the water is not corrosive. This means the amount of lead or copper absorbed by the water is limited to safe levels.
- (B) Fluoride is added in treatment to bring the natural level to the EPA's recommended range of 0.7 to 1.2 ppm (parts per million).
- (C) Turbidity is a measure of the clarity of the water. We monitor it because it indicates the effectiveness of our filtration system.
- (D) Total Organic Carbon is a measure of the possible formation of harmful chlorine by-products. We monitor this substance (3) different ways to receive a complete picture of this substance in our water. Compliance with Federal Law is determined by a ratio of all methods and the ratio must be 1 or above.
- (E) 180 samples are tested each month. No more than 5% may be positive for total coliform bacteria.
- (F) Clayton County Water Authority system wide sites are collected quarterly at locations approved by the Georgia Environmental Protection Division. Compliance to the MCL is based on the LRAA, or Local Running Annual Average.

Need more Information?

For questions about this report, please contact Lesley Rathbum, CCWA Water Quality Supervisor, at 770.320.3445. For billing, service issues or to report an after-hours emergency, please call 770.960.5200.



Facility Tours / Field Trips

Have you ever wondered how drinking water is produced or what happens to wastewater after it leaves your home? A facility tour is a great way for students or other groups to learn more about the processes used and what goes on behind the scenes.



Field Trips are a great way for students to see up-close what takes place at a water production plant, water reclamation facility, constructed treatment wetlands

and our Wetlands Center. For more information on these opportunities, visit www.ccwa.us/resources-for-teachers.

Public Participation

CCWA's Board of Directors meets on the first Thursday of each month at 1:30 p.m. at 1600 Battle Creek Road in Morrow. These meetings are open to the public. CCWA staff provides public outreach and education to our community



through the Melvin L. Newman Wetlands Center, facility tours, school presentations, civic and homeowner meetings and several annual events. For more information, call 770.960.6972, or visit us at www.ccwa.us.

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www.ccwa.us

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Jim Poff, Assistant General Manager • Bernard Franks, Assistant General Manager

Got An Old, Water-Wasting Toilet?

Replace It and Get a \$100 Credit on Your Account

The Clayton County Water Authority's Residential Toilet Rebate Program encourages customers to save money and water by replacing older, inefficient toilets. Eligible customers receive a \$100 rebate for installing an eligible WaterSense certified 1.28 gallons per flush (gpf) toilet.

Customers may receive up to two (2) toilet rebates per household. All rebates will be applied as a credit to your Clayton County Water Authority account. To learn more, visit www.ccwa.us.



Leaks Cost You Money & Waste Water

Repair leaking faucets

A faucet dripping at just one small drop per second can waste seven (7) gallons a day, or more than 2,000 gallons a year. Leaking faucets are easily repaired by replacing worn washers.

Simple Test Detects Toilet Leaks

The trouble with leaking toilets is you don't always hear them. Slow, silent toilet leaks are quite common. Check quarterly for toilet leaks using the simple test below:

- Add a few drops of food coloring or dark soda to your toilet tank.
- Do not flush for 30 minutes. If the toilet is leaking, the color will appear in the toilet bowl.

The most common causes of a leaking toilet are:

- A warped or cracked flapper
- The lift chain is keeping the flapper from seating properly
- Water running into the overflow tube

All three common causes can be repaired with kits from your local hardware store or home supply store.

To learn more tips, visit our website: ccwa.us.





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For Release May 5, 2016

Media Release

Annual Water Quality Report Shows Drinking Water Met or Exceeded All Federal and State Standards During 2015

Morrow, Georgia -- The Clayton County Water Authority (CCWA) is proud to release its 2016 Water Quality Report that shows its drinking water met or exceeded all federal and state government standards from January 1, 2015 – December 31, 2015.

Annual water quality reports, also referred to as a Consumer Confidence Report (CCR), give a detailed analysis of the water the residents of Clayton County consume every day. CCWA's Water Quality Staff performs more than 200,000 water tests each year to test for potential contaminants. A summary of the tests are found in the report.

"Our 2016 Water Quality Report highlights the fact that our drinking water met or exceeded all state and federal standards in 2015," says P. Michael Thomas, CCWA general manager. "We want our customers to have confidence that we are treating their water to the highest degree possible and be proud of that fact that their drinking water gets an A plus."

CCWA's latest report is available on its website, www.ccwa.us. Customers who would like a copy mailed to their home or business should contact CCWA's Call Center at 770.960.5200 or CCWA_CustomerService@ccwa.us

CCWA operates three award-winning drinking water treatment facilities that met 100% of their compliance permits during 2015. All three facilities received 2016 Platinum Awards during the Georgia Association of Water Authority's Spring Conference April 26-27 in Columbus, Georgia. The Terry R. Hicks Water Production Plant (WPP) has been a Platinum facility for 15 years; the William J. Hooper WPP has been a Platinum facility for 18 years and the J.W. Smith WPP has been a Platinum facility for seven years. The Hooper Plant is one of two water production facilities in the State of Georgia with the longest running tenure of receiving the Platinum Award.

The creation and distribution of water quality reports was a centerpiece of the 1996 amendments to the Safe Drinking Water Act, passed by the U.S. Congress. The act was passed to encourage more public involvement in the water treatment and distribution process. All community water systems in the United States are required to

"prepare and distribute a brief annual water quality report summarizing information regarding source, any detected contaminants, compliance, and educational opportunities."

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**Saturday, June 11, 2016
1PM-3PM**

Lovejoy Mayor's Park
11596 Hastings Bridge Road, Lovejoy, GA 30250



Admission is FREE...
Please bring a canned good or unwrapped toy donation



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For Release May 25, 2016

Media Release

CCWA Earns Wastewater Plant of the Year and Top Op Awards

Northeast Water Reclamation Facility Considered Best in Class by Industry Peers

Morrow, Georgia -- Clayton County Water Authority (CCWA) staff recently earned industry awards for the best wastewater plant and top wastewater operator during the 2016 Georgia Association of Water Professionals' (GAWP) Spring Conference held in Columbus April 26 and 27.

CCWA's Northeast Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) staff earned the state's Wastewater Plant of the Year Award for the Advanced Treatment 6 MGD – 9.9 MGD (Million Gallons per Day) Category while W. B. Casey WRF Supervisor Mike Holt took home the District 3 Top Wastewater Operator Award for the metro Atlanta area.

"Our customers can take pride in knowing that their water utility is highly respected as an industry leader throughout the state of Georgia," says John Chafin, CCWA board chair. "We are very proud of the staff members who have earned these awards and the work they do on a daily basis."

The GAWP Plant of the Year competition program is conducted annually statewide by a GAWP Plant of the Year Inspection Committee. Each of the facilities involved in the competition have shown exceptional operational standards and must have achieved 100% compliance with their respective EPD operating permit.

To be selected as the best operated plant of the year, facilities go through a rigorous inspection process that lasts for 5-6 hours and encompasses every aspect of running the facility. The inspection is broken down into 50 different categories including permit monitoring and process control, laboratory methods and documentation, plant maintenance program, plant safety program, in-house training program, public education program, etc. The inspection also entails a facility walk through where each treatment process is looked at for proper operation, organization and cleanliness.

The Northeast WRF has a long history of being an award winning facility. Since 1989, it has won nine GAWP Plant of the Year Awards, seven GAWP Gold Awards (100% permit compliance for a calendar year), two

GAWP Platinum Awards (five consecutive years with 100% permit compliance) and two Water Environment Federation Safety Awards. Water Reclamation Department Manager Chris Hamilton attributes the success of the Northeast WRF to its knowledgeable and highly trained staff.

“I am extremely proud of the staff of the Northeast Plant,” says Hamilton. “They strive for excellence and take pride in their work as water professionals. Our customers should feel confident that CCWA is doing a good job protecting Clayton County’s environment and providing quality water and quality services.”

As for CCWA’s latest ‘Top Op’ recipient, Holt has 16 years of dedicated service with CCWA. He has been involved in helping CCWA and the Water Reclamation Department receive numerous GAWP and WEF awards.

“It’s employee like Mike that help keep CCWA one of the best operated utilities in the State of Georgia,” Hamilton adds.

According to GAWP, Top Operator honorees are part of an ‘elite group of operators’. They are considered a moving force in the operation of their respective facilities and exhibit excellent leadership skills and accomplishments.

The Georgia Association of Water Professionals is the State’s premier professional association for water, wastewater and related issues. GAWP was founded in 1932, and started the first license program for water professionals in Georgia. For over 75 years, GAWP has provided the bulk of certified professional training for water and wastewater operators here in Georgia. GAWP is the nation’s second largest state-level association of water professionals and is formally affiliated with several other national professional organizations.

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Comments

Thank you Shana for the work being done along Panhandle Rd. Thank you for the upgrade to the basketball court! You ROCK!

George



SUMMER SNACK PROGRAM

Over 5,000 lbs. of food for children in need during the summer months!

**Beginning 9:00am -11:00am
Monday, June 6, 2016**

Host Site:

Community Outreach in Action, Inc.

**7681 Southlake Parkway, Suite 730, Jonesboro, Georgia
30236**

We realize that keeping children fed while school is not in session can be challenge for some parents. It is for this reason, COIA will open a “Kid’s friendly” food pantry to low income children in Clayton County.



**Beginning Monday, June 6, 2016
Community Outreach in Action, Inc. will
offer “free” snacks to low income children
(3 to 12 years old). This program will run for
10 consecutive weeks (every Monday) during
the summer months. Each child must qualify for this
program based on household income.
“All are welcome”**

**This is a USDA TEFAP Commodities food distribution for families and individuals that meet Federal poverty guidelines.
No discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability**



Clayton County Government Contact Numbers

(Here are some of our most requested numbers or services)

Animal Control	770-477-3509	Police/South Precinct	770-347-0260
Better Business Bureau	404-766-0875	Refuse Control (handles certain debris and trash on streets, removes dead animals from County roads)	770-477-3548
Board of Commissioners	770-477-3208	Senior Services	770-603-4050
Code Enforcement	678-610-4755	Sheriff (Non-Emergency)	770-471-1122
Community Development	770-477-3569	So. Regional Medical Center	770-991-8000
DFACS	770-473-2300	Tag Office	770-477-3331
Economic Development	770-477-4450	Tax Assessor (Prop .Values)	770-477-3285
Emergency	911	Tax Commissioner (Tax Bills)	770-477-3311
Health Department	678-610-7199	Transportation & Development (Public Works, Road Department/Pot Holes/Traffic Engineering)	770-477-3674
Parks and Recreation	770-477-3766	Water Authority	770-960-5200
Planning and Zoning	770-477-3577		

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WE WORK WITH OUR CITIZENS TO RESOLVE CONCERNS INVOLVING COUNTY GOVERNMENT, EXPLAIN COUNTY PROGRAMS, EXPEDITE GOVERNMENT ACTION AND SERVE AS LIAISON BETWEEN OUR DEPARTMENTS AND THE PUBLIC.

HOURS OF OPERATION
8AM-5PM (M-F)

Questions/Concerns/Comments

Please contact :

Steven VanDyke - Constituent Aide

Phone: 770-473-5465

Email:

steven.vandyke@claytoncountyga.gov

Please contact us to be added or removed from our email list.

Board Meetings

Board meetings are held on the first and third Tuesday evening of the month at 7pm .

112 Smith Street

Jonesboro, GA 30236

770) 477-3208

The Next First Saturday Talk

August 6, 2016

South Clayton Recreation Center

1837 McDonough Rd. , Hampton GA 30228

10:00 am—12:00 pm

Clayton County Government's Top Five Communication Resources

Website

www.ClaytonCountyGa.gov

CCTV-23

Clayton County Access Television
Comcast Channel 23

Mobile Community

Text the word "CLAYTON" to 22828
to receive monthly emails

Facebook

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