

# How Does Crookston Get Its Water

Crookston uses groundwater from six municipal wells. We pump it to the Fairfax Ave water plant, treat it, test it, then send it out through the distribution system.

## Sourcing

Crookston's water is groundwater pumped from six wells (about 56 to 164 feet deep) drawing from local aquifers.

## Disinfection

Commonly chlorine / chloramine to keep water safe through pipes.

## Distribution

Crookston has three 500,000 gallon storage tanks. One at the well site, Fisher Avenue, and the industrial park. Water is distributed for customers and fire protection, including service to American Crystal Sugar.

\*The EPA sets safe drinking water standards (limits for specific contaminants)

## Treatment

Raw well water comes in for chemical treatment.

## Testing

Your Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) is the annual "report card" that summarizes results. It includes monitoring results for the calendar year (ex: Jan 1–Dec 31, 2024). Crookston works with Minnesota Department of Health to test for 100+ contaminants.

"Comparisons: Every regulated contaminant has a maximum allowable level (or action level). Our CCR shows what we tested, found, and the EPA/MDH limit side-by-side.

Small detections don't automatically mean unsafe — standards are designed to protect public health.

