



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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April 24, 2019

The Honorable James Oakley
Burnet County Judge
220 South Pierce Street
Burnet, TX 78611

*for 5/14 CC as
A/R J.C.*

Subject: City of Granite Shoals
Federal Administrative Order to City of Granite Shoals
PWS ID Number: TX0270049

Dear Judge Oakley:

I am writing to provide you with notice that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is planning to issue to City of Granite Shoals an Administrative Order under Section 1414(g) of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), 42 U.S.C. § 300 g-3(g). City of Granite Shoals owns/operates a Public Water System (PWS). EPA alleges that City of Granite Shoals violated the requirements of the federal Revised Total Coliform Rule (RTCR). City of Granite Shoals violated the monitoring requirements of 40 C.F.R. § 141.860(c) by failing to provide and submit public notification regarding the failure to conduct routine coliform monitoring.

Under Section 1414(a)(2)(A) of the SDWA, 42 U.S.C. § 300g-3(a)(2)(A), EPA is authorized to issue an Administrative Order to a public water system that is found to be in violation of applicable requirements under the SDWA where the State does not have primary enforcement responsibility. While the State of Texas administers the Public Water System Supervision Program pursuant to Section 1413 of the SDWA, TCEQ has not received authority for enforcement of the RTCR rule and; therefore, EPA has retained primary responsibility for enforcing the RTCR.

This letter is intended to provide the required notice to you as an appropriate local elected official pursuant to SDWA Section 1414(a)(2)(B). The Administrative Order will require City of Granite Shoals to take specified actions to remedy their SDWA violations.

If you or anyone on your staff have any questions, please call Mr. Mehdi Taheri at (214) 665-2298.

Sincerely,

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