

## **An Important Message from Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 35 (FB35)**

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As your local water provider, the health and safety of the FB35 community is our top priority. FB35 is closely monitoring updates and recommendations regarding the COVID-19 virus from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). The emergence of COVID-19 has caused understandable questions about public health and local water supplies.

### **The water provided by FB35 continues to meet stringent state and federal standards.**

The EPA recommends that Americans continue to use, and drink tap water as usual. The World Health Organization (WHO) has stated the following:

**“Presence of the COVID-19 virus has not been detected in drinking-water supplies and based on current evidence the risk to water supplies is low.”**

According to the CDC, COVID-19 is mainly thought to spread between people who are in close contact with one another. EPA's drinking water regulations require treatment at public water systems to remove or kill pathogens, including viruses.

More CDC information is available at: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/php/water.html>

More EPA information is available at: <https://www.epa.gov/coronavirus/coronavirus-and-drinking-water-and-wastewater>

FB35 will continue to monitor public health recommendations and share periodic updates as necessary. Please continue to monitor your local office of emergency management for the most up to date public health announcements.

Should there be additional information needed, please contact the District's operator at 281-579-4500.