



Auburn Water and Sewerage Districts
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The Auburn Water District has been actively fluoridating our water since shortly after the public vote on November 5th, 1968. Since that time, the District has followed all State and Federal guidelines on fluoridation. The Auburn Water District remains neutral on the addition or removal of fluoride in our drinking water. The decision to fluoridate is made by the local municipality, and we adhere to the guidelines set by the state and federal agencies. Our goal is to ensure the safety and quality of your drinking water, and we will continue to monitor and report fluoride levels as required.

The District does not have the authority to stop the addition of fluoride to our water, that decision shall be made by the majority vote by the residents of the District. Those interested in the petition process should seek guidance from the office of the Auburn City Clerk.

The Auburn Water District shares a water source and Treatment Plant with the City of Lewiston. There could be significant financial impacts to either entity if the practice of fluoridation were stopped in only one of the two systems. The two entities would need to determine how to balance water chemistry, apply for a treatment technique change and fund the improvements to end the addition of fluoride to the drinking water. Without gathering an engineered opinion, we would estimate this work would cost between \$250,000- \$1,000,000. The annual operating cost for fluoridation of the water are fairly minimal, <\$35,000 per year.