
Orosi High School

December 20, 2022

County: Tulare

Population: 1,200

Challenges: Nitrate MCL violation

Consolidation date: April 2022



Orosi High School is located in Orosi, CA in Tulare County and serves a population of 1,200 staff and students. The school previously supplied water from a single ground well and a partial connection to Orosi Public Utilities District (PUD). In 2018, Orosi High School was issued Compliance Order 03_24_18R_002 for violation of the Nitrate maximum contaminant level.

Figure 1. Orosi High School well site

Source: DDW inspection

Although the school was partially connected to Orosi PUD, all restrooms and sinks were still connected to the contaminated well. The State Water Resources Control Board's Division of Financial Assistance provided \$514,383 in Urgent Drinking Water Needs funding to get the remainder of the school connected. As of April 22, 2022, Orosi High School has been receiving 100% of their drinking water supply from the Orosi PUD through a master meter connection. The existing well will be used for irrigation for the school site only.