



Water disinfected at Cabazon outlet mall

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The Cabazon Water District disinfected the water system at Desert Hills Premium Outlets after bacterial contamination was found in well water there last month, the district reported Tuesday.

The water district used a chlorinator borrowed from the city of Banning to clean the water lines after tests found coliform bacteria contamination coming from one of the Cabazon mall's two wells, the agency said. The process took about two days, said Calvin Louie, the district's general manager.

Coliform bacteria is present in human and animal feces and indicates that disease-causing organisms could get into the water system. The mall water tested negative for harmful E. coli bacteria.

The mall is considering buying the borrowed chlorinator, Louie said.

The Riverside County Department of Environmental Health now is requiring the mall to have a such a disinfection system, the water district report said.

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