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## Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program

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To ORELAP Accredited Laboratories,

This letter is being sent as a reminder of ORELAP requirements for timely reporting of drinking water testing results as described in Oregon Administrative Rules Chapter 333, Division 64, Section 40 (OAR 333-064-0040).

Specifically, ORELAP reminds all laboratories that OAR 333-064-0040 (2) requires an accredited laboratory to:

1. Report to the Oregon Health Authority (Authority) and water supplier all nitrate and coliform results that exceed the maximum contaminant level (MCL) found in OAR 333-061-0030 within 48 hours or two business days of completing the analytical run.
2. Report to the Authority and water supplier any other chemical analyte other than nitrate that exceeds the MCL in OAR 333-061-0030 within 24 hours or on the next business day after validating a sample result.
3. Report to the Authority and water supplier any result that exceeds the MCL and is received from a subcontracted laboratory within 24 hours or the next business day after receiving the results.
4. Ensure that subcontracted laboratories must report results to the client laboratory by the time listed in numbers 1 & 2 above.

As a reminder, these rules apply to primary and secondary accredited laboratories, and to accredited subcontracted laboratories. Accredited laboratories must communicate these requirements to their subcontracted laboratories as part of the subcontracting process. Failure to follow these rules is grounds for suspension or revocation in total or in part.

If you have any questions about these rules, please email ORELAP at [ORELAP.Info@dhsosha.state.or.us](mailto:ORELAP.Info@dhsosha.state.or.us).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Travis Bartholomew". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the beginning.

Travis Bartholomew  
ORELAP Manager