

Recommendations for Source Water Protection



1. Speak with residents and ask for their help in protecting drinking water.



2. Install a flow meter at the well head to measure flow, determine if any loss is occurring and minimizes the chance of over pumping.



3. Review the source water protection areas annually for changes in potential contamination sources and land uses.



4. Speak with community members about setting maintenance schedules for inspecting and pumping septic tanks.



5. Post a sign at the well site stating, "This is a Drinking Water Protection Area".



6. Promote the use of low flow plumbing fixtures to your customers.



7. Speak with residents about properly collecting, storing and disposing of automotive fluids. Most automotive fluids can be disposed of at a local auto parts store or at a household hazardous waste event.



8. Pet waste should be scooped, bagged and placed in the garbage for disposal. Do not flush pet waste down the toilet or leave it where is could leach into the groundwater.



9. Speak with residents about picking up manure daily. Keep animal waste covered when stored. Manure can be composted; arrangements can be made to take it to local farms or companies that specialize in the collection and disposal of animal waste.



10. Speak with local businesses that are identified as potential sources of contamination. Following best management practices can significantly reduce the risk of contaminating source water.



11. Work with local authorities to place "Do Not Dump" signs at washes and stormwater drainage areas near the well site.