

**A Message from the Department of Environmental Quality's  
Drinking Water Protection Team**

**Clean Water Begins With YOU!**

**What Can You Do As A Water Operator To Protect Drinking Water?**

- **Always use Best Management Practices**, such as proper handling and storage of chemicals and good housekeeping practices near the well(s).
- **Keep Contingency Plans updated.**
- **Be aware** of potential problems as you travel around the community and report them to the appropriate regulatory agency if investigation is needed.
- **Encourage public awareness** through utility outreach, such as use of **Consumer Confidence Reports** or notices in water bills.
- **Join or help organize a local Drinking Water Protection Committee** and help support their efforts.



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