

Free Nitrate Screening

Nitrate is the most widespread groundwater contaminant in Portage County. There are a number of potential health risks associated with elevated nitrate levels in drinking water, but it can be especially dangerous for unborn children and infants younger than six months.

It is important for private well owners to understand the current status of their drinking water quality, thus drinking water should be tested annually.

Private well owners are invited to bring in sample to have screened for nitrates at this free event on November 10, 2018 from 10 am – 2 pm or November 15, 2018 3 pm - 7 pm at the Lanark Town Hall.

How to collect your sample:



1. Identify a source that is not connected to a treatment device. An outside faucet works best.
2. Locate a clean container with a lid to collect the water sample. Label the outside with your name or address
3. Allow the water to run five-10 minutes before collecting your sample.
4. Fill the container with about a half cup of water.

Samples are analyzed on the spot and the process takes less than 5 minutes or homeowners can leave their samples and pick up results later. Results will only be given directly to the homeowner.



When

November 10, 2018

10 am - 2 pm

or

November 15, 2018

3 pm – 7 pm

Where

Lanark Town Hall

7174 County Road TT
Amherst, WI 54406

What to Bring

½ Cup Water sample
in a clean container
with a lid

For More Information:

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