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## Registration for Ashland County Well Testing

You are invited to learn more about your groundwater by participating in a **drinking water testing program** sponsored by the Ashland County Land and Water Conservation Department (LWCD).

A priority of the Ashland County LWCD is to protect drinking water and groundwater through monitoring, education, healthy land practices, and proper well abandonment. This program is not mandatory or regulatory, but simply an educational opportunity for you to learn about your groundwater and be provided with recommendations to ensure clean, healthy drinking water.

Ashland County Land and Water Conservation Department, in conjunction with the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point Water and Environmental Analysis Lab, is excited to announce the opportunity for Ashland County property owners this spring. The Lab is state-certified to perform these tests. We are conducting two test packages per well sampled: the **Homeowner's Package** tests for nitrate, coliform bacteria, pH, alkalinity, hardness, conductivity, corrosivity, and chloride; and the **Metals Package** tests for arsenic, calcium, copper, iron, lead, magnesium, manganese, potassium, sodium, sulfate, and zinc.

**DON'T SEND ANY MONEY.** We need your registration before **March 14, 2024** to reserve your test kit, and will collect payment at the time of bottle pickup. Ashland County will be funding 40 test kits at a **reduced cost of \$65.50** (this includes both the Homeowners and Metals packages) and will start a waiting list for next year if interest exceeds funding capabilities.

To participate, you must be able to commit to the following:

- ❖ Pick up and pay for your sample bottles at the Ashland LWCD office **8 AM- 4 PM from March 25<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>, 2024.**
- ❖ Collect and return your sample on **Monday April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024 between 8AM- 2pm at the Land and Water Department office** following the directions provided with your sample bottles.
- ❖ Attend a follow-up meeting to review your test results, learn how to interpret them, and learn how to protect your drinking water and groundwater. Details on the date and location of the meeting will be provided when picking up and paying for sample bottles.

## Yes! I'm interested in testing my drinking water!

Please fill out this form completely and clearly and return to the address below by March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

**Ashland County LWCD  
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Print Name: _____
Mailing Address: _____
City: _____
State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____
Email: _____
Well Address/Location, if different: _____
_____
Unique Well ID (if known): _____

- I am also aware of unused wells that need proper abandonment (we will contact you for more information)
- I have questions about my drinking water and would like a consultation