



Source Water Protection was founded on the concept that informed citizens equipped with fundamental knowledge about their drinking water source and threats to it, will be the most effective advocates for protecting this valuable resource.



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# RWAAZ SOURCE WATER PROTECTION

## **PURPOSE**

- A Source Water Protection Plan (SWPP) is simply protecting your source of drinking water from contamination or overuse.
- Assess potential negative influences on your drinking water source include natural and human activities.

## **HISTORY**

In 1996 the Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments required all states to establish and implement a source water Assessment Program to

- Define source water protection areas
- Inventory potential contaminant sites
- Determine how susceptible to contamination each drinking water source is

## **EACH PLAN INCLUDES?**

- A map outlining the source water protection area.
- Source water inventory
- Potential Contaminant sources
- Define each entity's area of responsibility in relation to potential sources of contamination
- Preventative measures that may be initiated by each entity
- a contingency plan that will consist of a strategy for supplying safe water to the consumer in the event of contamination.

## **WHAT WILL A SWPP DO?**

- Prevent costly remediation efforts to your utility system and increases in utility bills
- Ensure that enough safe, clean drinking water is available for our communities
- Provide training opportunities for the public to encourage the understanding of source water protection.