

Ask yourself, “Why should my Water Utility work on a Source Water Protection Plan?”

Then let the Dedicated Staff at
Montana Rural Water Systems go to work for you!



Background: Montana's Source Water Protection Program (SWPP) has completed over 2,000 assessments and continues to complete assessments for new and re-activated PWSs across the state. These assessments are formally called Source Water Delineation and Assessment Reports or SWDARs. From these SWDAR reports and SWP plan (SWPP) can be developed.

Each Source Water Protection Plan (SWPP) includes 6 Major Elements:

- 1) Forming a Community Planning Team**
- 2) Delineate (or update) the SWP area to be protected**
- 3) Identify and locate any existing or new potential Sources of Contamination**
- 4) Develop a Management Program to address sources of contamination**
- 5) Develop a Contingency Plan / ERP with focus on a “Water Outage”**
- 6) State Review and Certification of the plan (optional point)**

The Source Water Protection Staff at MRWS are ready to assist your system in developing their “Source Water Protection Plan.” Below are some of the items which they can help your Utility with in creating a plan that works “Best for your Customers!”

- ➔ Coordinate activities and facilitate the process of “Source Water Protection Planning & Implementation.
- ➔ Provide professional one-on-one “On-site” Assistance in the development of your Source Water Protection Plan.
- ➔ Provide liaison & assistance in the development of the Source Water Protection Plan.
- ➔ Coordinate with State, County, and Local agencies in identifying and prioritizing areas for Source Water Protection.
- ➔ Facilitate coordination, communication and collaboration between the Rural & Small Community, multi-jurisdictional entities and local, county, state and federal agencies in the development & implementation of Your Source Water Plan.
- ➔ And finally provide “Outreach Materials” for your utility use with its customers!

“Please call or email our Source Water Protection Specialists to setup a meeting to discuss Your Communities NEEDS on creating a Source Water Protection Plan!”

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