

WORKING WELL

Clean water.
Well protected.



Working Well Workshops

- Informative, free local workshops designed to help landowners protect their water wells and drinking water supplies.
- Delivered by technical experts from Alberta Agriculture and Rural Development, Alberta Environment and Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada.

At a workshop you will learn:

- The proper way to construct a well.
- The right place to locate a well to prevent risk of contamination.
- How to test the water in your well to feel confident it is safe to drink.
- How to properly operate and maintain your well.
- How and when to shock chlorinate your well.
- What to do about old or abandoned wells on your property.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Water Wells That Last for Generations

[www1.agric.gov.ab.ca/\\$department/deptdocs.nsf/all/wwg404](http://www1.agric.gov.ab.ca/$department/deptdocs.nsf/all/wwg404)

For a free copy of this comprehensive water well management guide, contact Alberta Agriculture and Rural Development Publications Office at 1-800-292-5697

Well Aware booklet and video

www.wellaware.ca

Canadian Ground Water Association

www.cgwa.org

Alberta Water Well Drilling Association

www.awwda.com

For a list of reputable, licensed water well contractors in your area, contact the Association at 780-386-2335

CONTACT US:

General Questions?

Alberta Environment Information Centre
780-427-2700
(toll-free, dial 310-0000)

Technical Questions?

Ag-Info Centre
780-310-farm (3276) toll-free

Hosted in your area by:



Have you had your well water tested in the last year?



Have old, unused wells on your property been properly decommissioned and plugged?



Have you recently shock chlorinated your well?



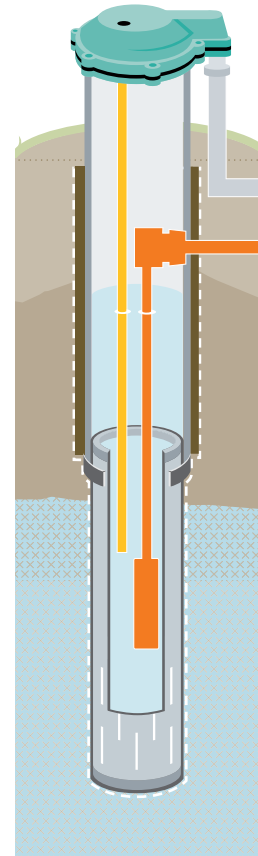
Do you keep records of all maintenance and repair work done on your well?

If you answer “no” to any of these questions, your water supply could be at risk.

The key to a safe, secure water supply is proper well management.

As a well owner, it is your responsibility to take care of your water well. Understanding how groundwater works, learning about your well and knowing how to properly operate and maintain it are the first steps.

The Working Well program provides you with the information and tools you will need to properly care for your well. The Program offers information through: workshops, fact sheets, interactive activities and exhibits.



Need to disinfect your well?

Slime build-up in your plumbing is a sign of iron or sulphur-reducing bacteria in your well. These common bacteria are not dangerous, but they can affect the smell and taste of your water and cause permanent damage to your well. Learn how to shock chlorinate your well to prevent this problem.



Proper well management will:

- Protect your well from contamination.
- Help keep bacteria build-up in check.
- Save you costly repairs.
- Help to ensure the yield from your water well is sustained for many years.



Plug old wells on your property to protect your water supply.