



Portage County

WATER Program

In 2022 Portage County created the Portage County Well Owner Assistance for Treatment and Economic Recovery (WATER) Program utilizing a portion of the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds from the Federal Government for projects to improve access to and provide safe drinking water for Portage County residents.

Free Water Testing

While most private wells in Wisconsin provide safe drinking water, some may contain substances that can affect our health. Many of these substances do not affect the color, smell, or taste of the water. Well owners should have their wells tested at least once a year. Portage County is currently offering a free water test to any Portage County resident who uses a private well. In order to participate in the free water test, residents will need to register for the test online or contact the program administrators listed below. Once registered, participants will receive information on where and when to pick up a test kit, as well as information on where to return it.

To register for a free water test, you can visit the Portage County WATER Program on the Portage County's Website at <https://www.co.portage.wi.us/> or scan the QR code to the right to go directly to the water test registration page.



Reimbursement for Water Treatment Device

If a resident's water tests show nitrate-nitrogen concentrations above 10 mg/L, residents may qualify for up to \$1,500.00 reimbursement to cover the costs for purchase and installation of a reverse osmosis treatment system. Residents must pre-apply to the program indicating a reverse osmosis system of their choosing.

To learn more about potential reimbursement of a water treatment device, you can visit the Portage County WATER Program on the Portage County's Website at <https://www.co.portage.wi.us/> or scan the QR code to the left.

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