

Water Protection

What can I do to protect our drinking water?

- **Be Aware** of hazardous substances you may have in your home, and dispose of them properly. Maintain your septic system if you have one.
- **Have Your Water Tested** if you have lead solder in your pipes. (Joints soldered with lead will be dull gray, not silver.) Test water regularly if you have a private well.
- **Be Informed** about your local water supply system, what it's doing, and where your water comes from.
- **Support** local, state and national efforts to protect drinking water.
- **Use Water Wisely**
 - Take shorter showers.
 - Install water-saving devices and appliances.
 - Check for leaks, and repair them.
 - Landscape with plants that don't require much water.
 - Use water from a bucket when you wash your car. Save the hose for rinsing.