

IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION



for Businesses and Industries located
over the Spokane Valley Aquifer
in Wellhead Protection Areas

March 23, 1998

Re: Spokane Area Wellhead Protection Program

The City of Spokane and the Spokane Aquifer Joint Board of Spokane County Water Purveyors have joined together to protect our drinking water supply through a Wellhead Protection Program. The Rathdrum Prairie/Spokane Valley Aquifer is the sole source of drinking water for more than 400,000 people. Protecting our water supply from contamination is important for the public health and economic vitality of this region

Based on information from local, state, or federal data sources, we have determined that _____ has a potential to harm groundwater quality should the critical materials associated with your facility be released into the environment. This letter provides information about the Wellhead Protection Program and serves notification that _____ is located within a wellhead protection area associated with one or more public water supply wells. In a wellhead protection area, any contaminant released on or under the ground is expected to eventually reach a public water supply well.

It is important that you read the attached information and consider participating in the development of the wellhead protection program to help prevent contamination of our drinking water.

Should you have any questions concerning this letter, or questions about the program, please contact:

Gail Nelson, <i>Vera Water and Power</i>	(509) 924-3800
Brandon Stevens, <i>Modern Electric Water Company</i>	(509) 928-4540
Bob Ashcraft, <i>Consolidated Irrigation District</i>	(509) 924-3655
Cleve McCoul, <i>Town of Millwood</i>	(509) 924-0960
Linda Haase, <i>Whitworth Water District</i>	(509) 466-7511

Residents within the City of Spokane contact:
Wellhead Protection Information Line

(509) 625-6575

Sincerely,

CITY OF SPOKANE

SPOKANE AQUIFER JOINT BOARD

by: _____

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Dale Arnold, Director
Environmental Programs

by: _____

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Ty Wick, President



SPOKANE AREA WELLHEAD PROTECTION PROGRAM

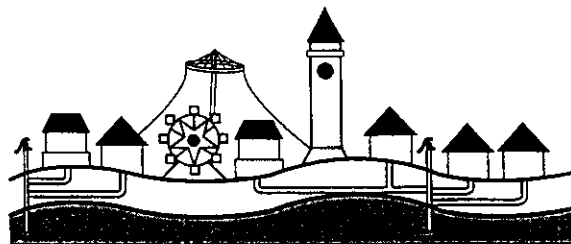
Fact Sheet and Focus Group Response Form

Washington State requires a groundwater protection and local wellhead protection program to include, at a minimum, the following elements:

-  A delineated wellhead protection area for each well, wellfield, or spring
-  An inventory of all potential sources of groundwater contamination within the wellhead protection area
-  A management plan to reduce the likelihood that potential contamination sources will pollute the drinking water supply
-  Contingency plans for providing alternate sources of drinking water in the event that a contaminant is released or contamination does occur
-  Public participation while the program is developing

Are you interested in being involved with a special focus group convened to discuss any of the following issues that pose potential threats to our drinking water? Your knowledge and understanding of these issues will help determine future action plans. If so, check all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Underground storage tanks, fuel storage (includes discussion of secondary containment requirements) | <input type="checkbox"/> Linkage between wellhead protection and aquifer protection strategies |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Petroleum pipelines, transportation corridors (including highways and railroads) | <input type="checkbox"/> Public education |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Regulated substances, chemical handling and storage | <input type="checkbox"/> Land use changes within a wellhead protection area or in recharge areas within the aquifer boundary |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wellhead protection program funding options | <input type="checkbox"/> Facility relocation and relocation incentives, property transfers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Surface water regulations and wastewater requirements | <input type="checkbox"/> Groundwater monitoring |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fertilizer and pesticide use and handling, general agricultural practices | <input type="checkbox"/> Applicability of current aquifer protection-related ordinances |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hazardous material spill response | <input type="checkbox"/> Land use changes for drainage basins draining to the aquifer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning tools such as Groundwater Protection Overlay Districts | <input type="checkbox"/> Implementation strategies and enforcement |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Expanding wellhead protection areas to include the entire aquifer |



If you desire to participate, please complete this form, fold, and return to the address provided on the back or fax to (509) 623-1622.

REQUEST TO SERVE ON A WELLHEAD PROTECTION FOCUS GROUP

(To receive information for the Spokane Area Focus Group process, please fill out this sheet, add postage, and return to the address provided.)

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone # (Day) _____ Phone # (Evening) _____ Fax # _____

Most meetings will be in the evening. Please check boxes for all evenings you are available.

☐ Monday ☐ Tuesday ☐ Wednesday ☐ Thursday ☐ Friday

The number and frequency of meetings will be determined at the first focus group meeting.

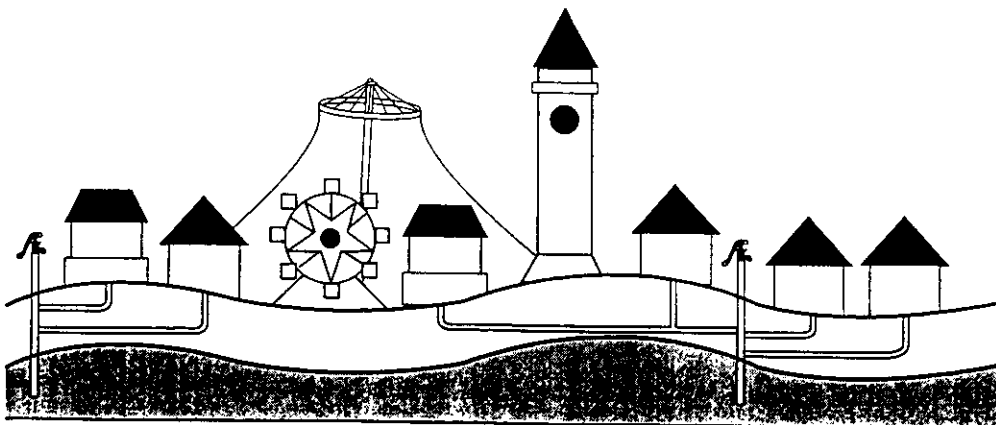
Please return completed application to: P.O. Box 142055 • Spokane, WA • 99214, or fax to (509) 623-1622

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Spokane Area Wellhead Protection Program
c/o Spokane Aquifer Joint Board
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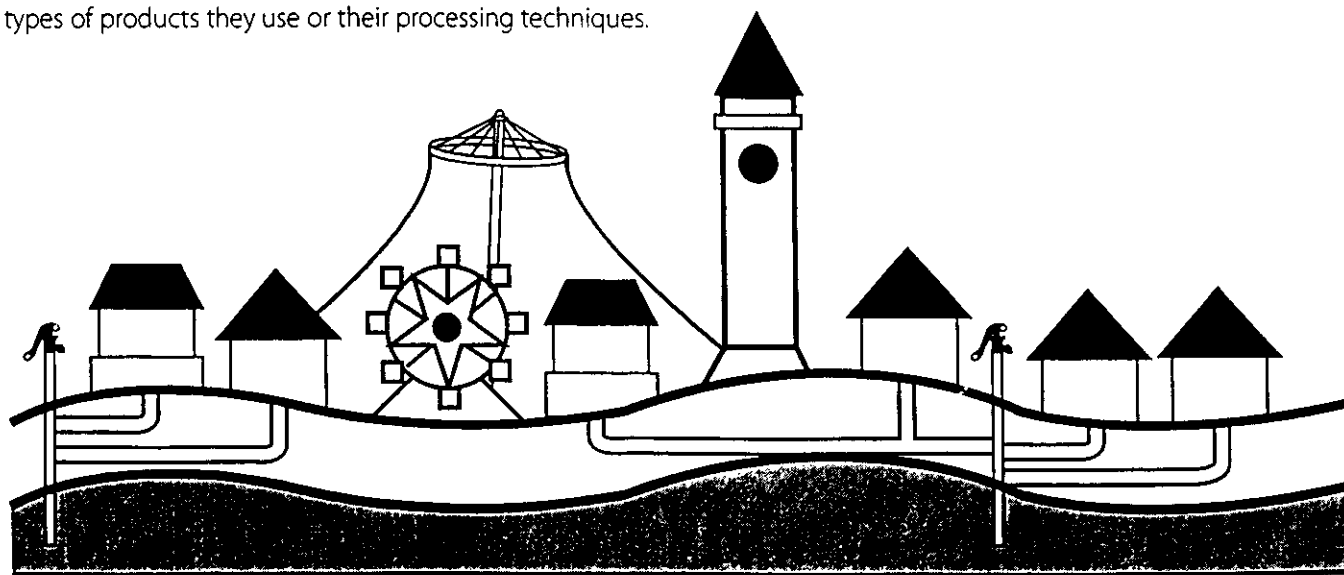
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Water purveyors in the Spokane area are working together to implement a practical, proactive and protective program for your drinking water. The Federal Safe Drinking Water Act requires that all public water systems using groundwater as their source of drinking water implement a wellhead protection program. The goal of the program is to prevent contamination of our only drinking water source, the Spokane Aquifer.

A wellhead protection area is an area where a contaminant released on or under the ground is expected to reach one of our public water supply wells. Your local water purveyors have defined potential wellhead protection areas. Some businesses within these wellhead protection areas have a potential to contaminate the drinking water because of the types of products they use or their processing techniques.

In Washington State, both pollution prevention techniques and management strategies are recommended to protect the aquifer. We will need stakeholders ideas and public input to define these strategies.

Beginning this spring, the City of Spokane and the Spokane Aquifer Joint Board (SAJB) will establish committees, conduct public focus groups, and hold meetings to provide information about groundwater protection issues and invite participation from citizens and businesses about appropriate protection measures. The intent of these activities is to develop a wellhead protection program that will protect your drinking water supply system now and into the future. Please see the enclosed fact sheet for more information.





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January 24, 2000

{Name}
or Current Business
{Address}
{City State zip}

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Based on information from local, state, and/or federal data sources, we have determined that {Name} has a potential to harm groundwater quality should critical materials associated with your facility be released into the environment. This letter serves as notification that {Name} is located within the aquifer sensitive area associated with wellhead protection areas and public water supply wells. In an aquifer sensitive area, any contaminant release on or under the ground is expected to eventually reach a public water supply well.

It is important that everyone help prevent contamination of our drinking water. Should you have any questions concerning this letter, or questions about the wellhead protection program please contact:

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BY: 
Ty Wick, President