



# News Release

## Environmental Services

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### **WAKE SPOTLIGHTS GROUNDWATER AWARENESS WEEK**

Wake County joins international groundwater professionals in reminding residents who use wells to have their water supply checked as part of National Groundwater Awareness Week, Sunday, March 10 through Saturday, March 16, 2013. During this important week, County Commissioners received an overview of recent groundwater issues, the roles of the partners and options for addressing issues within Wake County. The update was provided as part of the Board's work session held earlier today, Monday, March 11, 2013, in the Wake County Office Building, 336 S. Salisbury St., Raleigh.

Materials associated with the presentation are available on the Board of Commissioners portion of the Wake County website at [www.wakegov.com/commissioners/pages/meetings](http://www.wakegov.com/commissioners/pages/meetings).

The County offers analysis of samples taken from private wells through the Public Health laboratory and in conjunction with the North Carolina State Laboratory of Public Health. Residents may sample their own private well water for bacteria and inorganic compounds (minerals). Sample containers are available at several locations.

Wake County Lab  
10 Sunnybrook Road, Ground Floor, Room G-80, Raleigh  
919-250-4441

Southern Regional Center  
130 N. Judd Parkway NE, Fuquay-Varina  
919-557-2501

Eastern Regional Center  
1002 Dogwood Drive, Zebulon  
919-404-3900

Northern Regional Center  
350 E. Holding Ave., Wake Forest  
919-562-6300

Wake County Department of Environmental Services  
336 Fayetteville St., Raleigh

919-856-7400

All locations are open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. Regardless of where sample containers are picked up, they should be taken to the Wake County Lab, 10 Sunnybrook Rd., Raleigh, for testing.

Instructions for taking a sample are available on WakeGOV.com or by watching a video on the County's YouTube channel, [www.youtube.com/wakegov](http://www.youtube.com/wakegov).

The National Ground Water Association (NGWA) recommends routine annual well maintenance checks to help ensure water quality and proper operation of the well. NGWA also recommends your well water be tested annually or anytime there is a change in taste, odor, or appearance, or anytime the system is serviced. To learn more about NGWA visit [www.wellowner.org](http://www.wellowner.org).

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