



Safe Drinking Water Program Inquiry Form

FREE-SAFE drinking water programs are being offered by the Tule Basin Management Zone (TBMZ) to residents with elevated nitrate concentrations in their drinking water. If you are receiving this letter, the TBMZ has identified you as a resident that is potentially exposed to nitrate contamination in your drinking water supply, which may be harmful for your health. To begin the process for verifying whether your water is contaminated by nitrates and if you are eligible to enroll in the TBMZ Safe Drinking Water Program, fill out the Applicant Information at the bottom of this page and return to the Management Zone by mail, email, or by filling out a copy online at tulemz.com/safe-drinking-water/. The Management Zone's address and email address are provided at the bottom of this page.

If determined eligible for the Safe Drinking Water Program, options for receiving safe drinking water include:

1. Bottled water regularly delivered to your residence (limit of 60 gallon per month per household); or
2. In-home water treatment device installed at your residence (subject to additional evaluation criteria).

Alternatively, the TBMZ has constructed one water filling station in the Community of Terra Bella and is working towards constructing two additional water fill stations that are/will be available to any person to access an unrestricted amount of clean drinking water, 24 hours a day 7 days a week. You must provide your own drinking water container(s) (container size must be 5 gallons or less) to utilize the fill station but there is not a limit on the number of containers you may fill up. To learn more about water fill stations including locations visit tulemz.com/safe-drinking-water/.

For residents that receive their drinking water supply from a private drinking water well, the following process will used to determine if you are eligible for enrolling in the Safe Drinking Water Program after you have submitted this form and the TBMZ contacts you.

1. Complete a Domestic Water Well Nitrate Testing Request application provided by the TBMZ (to be provided after the Management Zone reviews applicant information).
2. TBMZ staff or consultant will contact you to schedule the collection of a nitrate water quality sample from your drinking water well at your residence.
3. Once nitrate results are received on the water quality sample, you will be provided the results with the following determinations:
 - a. Nitrate water quality sample is less than 10 mg/L, you are not eligible for the Safe Drinking Water Program. You may still access safe drinking water at water fill stations.

Note: Results showing nitrate concentrations less than 10 mg/L does not guarantee your water is safe for drinking. Your water may contain other harmful constituents not covered under this program. Contact the TBMZ to learn more about other programs that may be available to you.

- b. Nitrate water quality sample exceeds 10 mg/L, you are eligible for the Safe Drinking Water Program and TBMZ staff will coordinate with you on the next for receiving safe drinking water.

For more information on eligibility requirements contact the Coalition at (559) 429-6970 or visit tulemz.com/safe-drinking-water/

Applicant Information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone No. _____ Email _____

Do you receive water from a public water system or a private domestic well?

Public Water System; If checked, what public water system _____

Private Domestic Well

Not sure

Please return Application to TBMZ, 324 South Santa Fe, Visalia, CA 93292, or email to admin@tulemz.com
For questions contact the TBMZ at 559.429.6970