

**WATER SUPPLY
AREA
NEXT 3 MILES**

**SPILL RESPONSE
DIAL 911**

**What
does this sign
mean to you?**

Purpose

The Water Supply Area sign is posted in areas where a major road crosses through the area of contribution for a community's drinking water source(s). The area of contribution may be for a surface water source such as a river or lake, or for a groundwater source such as a well or spring. Large volume chemical or fuel spills in these sensitive areas pose a significant contamination risk to the local water supply if immediate action to contain and clean-up the spill is not taken. Posting signs is just one of the many steps that water systems across Pennsylvania are taking to raise awareness and to protect local drinking water supplies. A water system must have a PA Department of Environmental Protection approved Source Water Protection Program in order to post these signs.

What Can You Do?

If you see a chemical or fuel spill or accident in these sensitive areas, please do the following:

- Note the nearest mile marker, exit or other landmark
- Call 911 to report the spill/accident
- Provide the emergency response operator with any information on the spill/accident, note that the spill is in a water supply area

If you see suspicious activity in the water supply area, please:

- If a phone number is available for the local water supplier or police, call the number to report the details of the activity.
- If a phone number is not available, please call 911 to report the details of the activity.

Additional Information:

For more information on drinking water, please call the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 800-426-4791 or send e-mail to: hotline-sdwa@epa.gov

For more information,
visit these websites:



www.dep.state.pa.us

water
Water Resources Education Network
www.drinkingwaterwise.org

pa rural water
Association
Source Water Protection
www.waterwatchdogs.org

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