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St. Clair County residents will have the opportunity to participate in a baseline private well water survey. The survey will be conducted by the St. Clair County Health Center with the assistance of the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services. We encourage residents to take part in this survey by allowing Health Center and State Health Department staff to collect official water samples. This is a completely free service and there will be no regulatory action.

Random water sample collection in St. Clair County will take place the week of October 16, 2017. The official water samples collected will be sent directly to the Missouri State Public Health Laboratory in Jefferson City for testing. Analysis results will be used to establish baseline records of private well water quality for St. Clair County. Residents will be mailed their test results of the sample analysis. A fact sheet is provided with this letter that describes the purpose of this test.

If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact the Bureau of Environmental Health Services at (573) 751-6095 or St. Clair County Health Center at (417) 646-8332.

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St. Clair County Well Assessment and Survey 2017

Why is my water being tested?

Well water is a primary source of drinking water in Southwest Missouri for rural residents. Since many property owners do not test their well water at regular intervals, the state is randomly conducting baseline well water sampling in St. Clair County. Baseline testing allows the property owner to have a current record of the well water quality.

How will my well water be tested?

A sampling bottle will be used to collect well water from a faucet that has been sanitized and flushed thoroughly. The sampling bottle will then be sent to the Missouri State Public Health Laboratory within twenty-four hours. After testing has concluded, results will be mailed to the residents of the sampling location.

Should I be concerned?

Most of what is found in private well water is natural and not harmful to your health. There are bacteria that will be tested for to determine if a recommended safe level exists in the water. This baseline well water test is taken to provide you with current analysis and is not meant to imply your water is unsafe.

What is the cost?

The samples collected will be at no charge to the resident of the property.

When will the results be made known?

All samples collected will be analyzed by the Missouri State Public Health Laboratory. Due to the volume of samples collected for the well survey, letters will be sent to the resident within two weeks of sample collection. There will not be regulatory action taken on any result. The information that will be sent to you is strictly for your knowledge of the results of the baseline well water analysis.