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## **Health Department Reminds Well Owners to Test Following Floods**

The Iroquois County Public Health Department has issued a recommendation to private well owners. According to Terry Eimen, Director of Environmental Health for the agency, wells should be inspected following heavy rains to ensure that surface water has not entered the water well through the well cap, vent, or the sanitary well seal. If evidence indicates that surface water has entered the water well, do not drink the water until it has been tested and deemed safe for consumption. The water supply should be disinfected and tested to ensure that the water supply is safe to use. Due to the recent flooding situation, the health department has a supply of free testing kits that may be picked up at 1001 East Grant Street, Watseka, Illinois.

For more information regarding the flood or well testing, visit the Iroquois County Public Health Department web site at [www.co.iroquois.il.us](http://www.co.iroquois.il.us) or contact Terry Eimen at (815)432-2483 or at [teimen@co.iroquois.il.us](mailto:teimen@co.iroquois.il.us).

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