

# How to find an abandoned well

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## Do you know where the unused wells are on your property?

A water well information session will be held Tuesday, May 18, from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the South Nation Conservation office, 38 Victoria St., Finch.

Presented in partnership with North

Stormont Township, the meeting will cover how to find unused wells on your property, how to make them safe, grants for decommissioning unused wells and how to protect drinking water. For more information call toll free 1-866-938-3221, ext. 247, or (613) 984-2821 or visit

[www.yourdrinkingwater.ca](http://www.yourdrinkingwater.ca).

Unsealed, abandoned water wells may pose a hazard to public health and safety. These wells may also affect the wells that we currently use for our drinking water. Sealing of these wells can prevent or eliminate a number of problems including

contamination and safety hazards caused by deteriorating well covers. Large numbers of unused wells exist and have been deteriorating over the years since they were last used as a water supply. Dug wells are of particular concern since fatalities have resulted from their presence in recent years.