

June 13, 2024

Dear Skyland Community Corporation,

Virginia Cooperative Extension is offering Northern Shenandoah Valley residents the opportunity to have their water tested in July for common contaminants. The Drinking Water Clinics give people with *private water systems* access to affordable water testing, help interpreting their water test results, and information about possible treatment options. Since public water systems are regulated and regularly tested, additional testing *isn't needed if homes are on town/city water or if your community has its own water system*.

Since this is an educational program, the \$70 cost for the testing is significantly less than at a private lab. We also have a limited number of scholarships available at a reduced cost. The cost for the analysis covers testing for 14 common contaminants including Iron, Manganese, Sulfate, Hardness, Sodium, Copper, Nitrate, Arsenic, Fluoride, pH, Total Dissolved Solids, Coliform bacteria, E. coli bacteria, and Lead.

The enclosed flyer contains more detailed information about the dates, times, locations, and registration deadlines (July 11 and July 18 depending on which location you choose). Space is limited. The registration will be online at: <https://warren.ext.vt.edu/news/NSV-Water-Clinics.html>.

***We would appreciate your sharing this information with your Association owners.*** If you would like to have this information electronically, so that you can forward it to them, just send me your e-mail address. We can also provide quantity hard copies of the flyer if you need them.

For more information about the Drinking Water Clinics, contact Karen Poff at [kpoff@vt.edu](mailto:kpoff@vt.edu) or Corey Childs at [cchilds@vt.edu](mailto:cchilds@vt.edu) or call the Warren County Office of VCE at 540-635-4549.

Thank you for helping us to get this information out to the community!

Sincerely,



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