

# WELL SAFETY

Citizens in areas currently experiencing flooding, or at risk of flooding, are encouraged to create a sandbag barrier around their well(s) to prevent damage of the well casing and minimize surface water from infiltrating the well and contaminating the aquifer.

It is important to note that sandbag barriers will not protect the drinkability of your well water. These barriers are solely for minimizing flood water inflows and contamination of the ground water. The aquifer is the primary source of water for the entire valley and is used for irrigation and public water supplies.

If you suspect your well water has been contaminated, err on the side of caution. Do not use the well water until it has been tested and is determined to be contaminant free.

