



Township of McNab/Braeside

Notice

In response to the recent concerns expressed at the July 14th, 2009 Planning Advisory Committee meeting regarding the bacterial contamination and other concerns for contamination of private wells the Township contacted the Ministry of the Environment for direction and assistance. We were advised that MOE's Technical Support Section in Kingston has been reviewing the matter and intends to meet with the individual community members who have been providing MOE with their information to discuss these concerns in detail.

The Ministry has also contacted the local Health Unit and were advised that the Health Unit are aware of the bacterial concerns and have been assisting the homeowners in the collection of samples. They have also been providing advice in dealing with the bacterial contamination in wells.

The Ministry further advised that the Renfrew County Health Unit website has some excellent information on the proper maintenance and caring for a private well. This information will assist in verifying that your well is up to current standards. The website also details the proper procedure for well decontamination which you may wish to consider to address bacterial contamination problems of wells that have been impacted by nearby surface water, which is commonly the problem when bacterial contamination exists. The link to this site is <http://www.rcdhu.com/health-info/enviroment/Index.htm>

Trusting this information will prove helpful, I remain

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