

**Did you know  
there are  
more than 1,000,000  
private water wells  
in Texas, providing  
water to 2,230,000  
citizens?**

**Public drinking water  
supplies are monitored  
through requirements of  
the U.S. Safe Drinking  
Water Act, but private  
well owners are respon-  
sible for monitoring the  
quality of their wells and  
are frequently at greater  
risk for exposure to com-  
promised water quality.**



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# **TEXAS WELL OWNER NETWORK**

**T W O N**  
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Well Owner  
N E T W O R K

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## ABOUT

The Texas Well Owner Network (TWON) is an educational training program offered by the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service.

To serve the needs of private well owners, independently responsible for operating their wells and monitoring their water quality, TWON provides:

- Free training for residents who want to become familiar with groundwater resources, septic system maintenance, proper well design, well maintenance, water quality and water treatment.
- Science-based, community-responsive educational curriculum.
- A network of experts, residents and resources focused on protecting surface and groundwater quality and aquifer integrity.



### WELL EDUCATED: A 6-HOUR TRAINING

The Well Educated course is a day-long training program that covers water well construction, aquifers, well maintenance, improving and protecting water resources, septic system maintenance, water quality and water treatment.

At the training, well owners may bring well water samples to be screened for contaminants. Participants learn how practices in or near wells affect the quality of water available for drinking and irrigation.

### WELL INFORMED: A 1-HOUR TRAINING

The Well Informed course is a 1-hour educational program focused on wellhead protection, water quality and water treatment. Well owners can bring water samples for screening for fecal coliform bacteria, nitrate-nitrogen and salinity.

Sample screenings are followed by an explanation of the results and water well protection practices.

### VISIT [TWON.TAMU.EDU](http://TWON.TAMU.EDU) FOR:

- Training course dates and locations
- Free publications and fact sheets
- Well maintenance basics
- Groundwater and aquifer information
- Resources on regulations, agencies and more

