



## In Support of Source Water Protection Week

The Clackamas River Water Providers (CRWP) is a coalition of municipal drinking water providers that get their drinking water from the Clackamas River. We are joining AWWA in celebrating the second annual Source Water Protection Week! This event will take place September 29th- October 5th.

Source water protection is the foundation of any drinking water utility and is one of the primary ways we can reduce the risk to our drinking water source from contamination. Source water protection not only helps us identify its risk, but it is also helps us to educate regulatory agencies, permitting authorities, and the community about the impacts their actions can have on drinking water source water quality.

Source water protection can also:

- Reduce the need for additional treatment to meet water quality standards.
- Help us be prepared and reduce the impacts and costs of an emergency when we understand the risks to sources quality from contamination.
- Help us preserve the Clackamas River as a high-quality drinking water source and minimize future drinking water treatment costs while being good stewards of the river.

We all play a role in preserving our vital drinking water resources. Whether you're a resident, business owner, employee or farmer, you can make a difference. Protecting and conserving our drinking water plays a key role in making the best overall use of the precious resource we share.

Throughout the week, we will be raising awareness about the importance of protecting the Clackamas River, our drinking water source, with post on our Facebook page each day - CRWP on Facebook [@CRWP.ClackamasProviders](https://www.facebook.com/CRWP.ClackamasProviders).

Combined the CRWP members provide drinking water to over 300,000 people in Clackamas and Washington Counties. For more information about what we are doing to protect to Clackamas River contact Kim Swan at [kims@clackamasproviders.org](mailto:kims@clackamasproviders.org)