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Extension Office recommends disinfecting wells after flooding

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NEW BRAUNFELS — With flooding already having occurred in Comal County and a wet winter in the forecast, the Comal County office of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service reminds residents that flooded wells should be disinfected with chlorine before being used for drinking water.

By shock-chlorinating their wells, residents will kill any disease-causing organisms that may have entered it during a flood, said Troy Luepke, agriculture and natural resources agent for Comal County.

“Anytime your well is flooded, you should take steps to keep you and your family safe,” Luepke said. “Residents can get instructions on our website or call the extension office for more information.”

Well-chlorination instructions can be found at water.tamu.edu/disinfecting-water-wells-shock-chlorination.

Testing information for bacterial contamination are available at the county Extension Office or online at soiltesting.tamu.edu.

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