

## Conservation District Partners with landowners to monitor water quality

Many rural residents of Greene County rely on private wells or springs for their drinking water. Water quality is very important to our communities and can be affected by a number of things like:

- Improper handling and application of manure, fertilizers, and other nutrients.
- Leaking underground storage tanks and septic systems
- Pollution associate with landfills, industry, and energy development

Greene County Conservation District is partnering with landowners to monitor water quality in homes and streams throughout the county. Monitoring water quality allows us to be confident that the water we are drinking is safe. It also allows us to detect and identify problems early so we can take action.



CATTFish Device

The Conservation District is providing landowners with a water monitoring device, called a CATTFish. It installs in a toilet tank in less than five minutes and monitors the conductivity and temperature of incoming water. The CATTFish is an easy and free way for a landowner to find out about water quality in their well or spring.

Landowners interested in participating with this project can contact Jared D. Zinn, the county watershed specialist by email at [jjinn@co.greene.pa.us](mailto:jjinn@co.greene.pa.us), or by phone at 724-852-5278.