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SUBJECT: Free Microbial Water Well testing

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension and Virginia Tech are offering free well water testing to private well users who were affected by Hurricane Harvey. Study results to better understand the impact of floods on private well water and communication strategies. Test kits will be distributed at the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension office in Waller County, but any homeowner with a private water well in the flood-affected area is eligible. There are a limited number of kits, which will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis. The samples will be analyzed for coliform bacteria by Virginia Tech, and confidential water quality results will be emailed and mailed to residents' homes.

Residents who want to have their well water tested should pick up a water sampling test kit. All samples will need to be taken and returned on Wednesday, October 11 from 8 to 11am; any samples after this time will not be accepted.

If you have any questions, please contact the AgriLife Extension Agent Stacie Villarreal at 979-826-7651.

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