

## Attachment C: CSTEDWA Invitation Email

Dear State Epidemiologist,

Approximately 43 million people (about 14 percent of the U.S. population) rely on domestic wells as their source of drinking water. Unlike community water systems, which are regulated by the Safe Drinking Water Act, there is no comprehensive national program to ensure that the water is tested to ensure that it is safe to drink. Increasingly, exposures and health effects associated with unregulated contaminants that can impact both unregulated drinking water and community water systems are also of concern.

CSTE, in collaboration with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), is conducting an assessment to identify priority non-infectious issues impacting drinking water, state/territorial technical assistance needs, and how CDC can best provide technical assistance and support in addressing these needs. This project is funded through a Cooperative Agreement with the CDC.

The anticipated respondent is the person within your state health department or in your state environment department who knows the most about drinking water issues and private residential wells. Please forward this assessment to that person.

The information obtained from this assessment will provide data needed to inform future activities conducted by the Health Studies Branch, Division of Environmental Hazards and Health Effects, National Center for Environmental Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to address drinking water-related public health issues. Identifiable information about the respondent (name, position, agency, phone, and email) will be removed when the results of this assessment are aggregated for analysis. Individually identifiable state responses will be removed and will not be shared with the Workgroup or any other entity without permission. All data will be kept secure and presented in aggregate form.

This assessment is estimated to require an average of 40 minutes of your time.

The assessment is available at this link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/CSTEprivatewells>

Thank you for completing this assessment by MONTH DAY, 2015. Please contact Jennifer Lemmings (jlemmings@cste.org or 770-458-3811) if you have any questions. We appreciate your time and attention to this matter.

Please follow the directions accompanying each question.