

1. removing all references to the cost of testing because these may be changed periodically by the Vermont Department of Health;
2. moving all of section #4 of the draft to the appendix;
3. removing a section referring to the existing exemption in the Rules for single-family residences because that is already mentioned in the draft recommendations, and in fact, would be the only change if the Legislature imposes a testing requirement because all other sources are already being tested;
4. moving some language from the Opinion B section up into the discussion section; and
5. removing some language about the occurrence of cancer in Vermont because it included statistics about cancers not related to the consumption of groundwater.

Other discussion included:

1. existing information about areas in Vermont known to have naturally occurring groundwater contamination from radon, uranium, radium, and arsenic. Additional water quality testing may better define the areas that need extra attention;
2. removing comments about when to collect a water sample because there is no scientifically based single time that is ideal. The water quality may vary from when the source is first constructed because the water flow under pumping conditions may draw water of a different quality to the source.
3. adding comments about how a new requirement might affect title reviews. Will attorneys doing title reviews need to determine if a new source has been constructed and properly tested? Under the current Rules, replacement sources for a single family residence on its own lot is exempt from permitting requirements so checking State records for permits would not be sufficient;
4. adding a comment #9 to the Opinion A section stating support for the State Data Base of water testing results; and
5. adding language that notes water quality testing without a requirement that water treatment systems be installed when needed, will not ensure that safe water will be consumed.

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