Check your well for saltwater intrusion!

Saltwater in your well can be costly for you and your neighbors.

Do you have a well near Puget Sound? You might be at risk for saltwater intrusion—when saltwater enters the freshwater aquifer. It can lead to:

- Salty and unusable drinking water.
- Expensive fixes like needing to drill a deeper well and replace plumbing and appliances.

We can’t permit treatment. It requires more water and makes the problem worse for your neighbors.

Saltwater intrusion in wells.

You might not notice saltwater intrusion until it’s hard to fix.

Test your well regularly.

Test for chloride and conductivity. Talk with a water quality expert about the results.

Questions? Contact our Drinking Water Program at ehdrinkingwater@tpchd.org.

Learn more at tpchd.org/drinkingwater.

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