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### Ohio EPA Endorses New Miami Water Protection Plan

Ohio EPA has endorsed the village of New Miami's Drinking Water Source Protection Plan and recognizes the work done by drinking water superintendent Jamie Cook, Village Administrator Don Fox and the Source Water Protection Team who worked together to craft the village's plan.

A drinking water source protection plan identifies strategies that better protect the community's drinking water. The Village of New Miami's Drinking Water Source Protection team worked together and with the community to develop and implement protective strategies. These included talking with local business owners about best management practices; installing road signs that inform drivers that they are entering a drinking water source protection area; and holding a source water protection open house for the community.

The village has joined the ranks of 101 other Ohio public drinking water systems with endorsed protection plans. Together they serve a total of 3,229,235 people.

Businesses, community groups and individuals may contact village offices for more information or to participate in the drinking water source protection process.

More information about the plan is available on the Web at: [http://www.epa.state.oh.us/ddagw/pdu/swap\\_protection.html](http://www.epa.state.oh.us/ddagw/pdu/swap_protection.html). Drinking water administrators in Southwestern Ohio who would like to learn more about the source protection plans should contact Allison Reed at (937) 285-6357.

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