



Public Meeting Series to Inform Potential Revisions to Microbial and Disinfection Byproducts Rules

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1:00 – 1:15PM	<p>Welcome and Introduction Ryan Albert, Chief, Standards and Risk Reduction Branch, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water (OGWDW), United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA)</p>
Part 1: Perspectives on Sanitary Surveys and Water Safety Plans	
1:15 – 2:35PM	<p>Michelle Deras, Assessment Response Section Manager, Division of Drinking Water, Utah Department of Environmental Quality</p> <p>Troy Walker, Senior Associate, Hazen and Sawyer</p> <p>Kenneth Rotert, Physical Scientist, OGWDW, U.S. EPA</p>
2:35 – 3:00PM	Break
Part 2: Concurrent Breakout Groups on Sanitary Surveys and Water Safety Plans	
3:00 – 4:00PM	<p>U.S. EPA appreciates any relevant examples or other supporting rationale to these questions or other information provided.</p> <p>Sanitary Survey Breakout Group Discussion Questions</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What components of current sanitary survey requirements are most effective at identifying and correcting risk? What examples are available on how current sanitary survey requirements successfully identified potential or actual public health risks? 2. What examples exist regarding how current sanitary survey requirements have been ineffective in addressing public health risks? Which existing sanitary survey components could potentially be improved or refined to enhance public health protection, consistency in their application, and/or streamline their implementation and use (e.g., standardized training requirements for surveying personnel, guidance document updates)? 3. What are the limitations of existing sanitary survey programs? What tools or materials would be helpful to better implement sanitary survey programs and requirements? 4. What data or information are available that could support potential changes to sanitary survey requirements?

Water Safety Plans Breakout Group Discussion Questions

1. What role do you see for source to tap approaches, such as a Water Safety Plan, in controlling microbial contamination and disinfection byproducts in a regulatory or non-regulatory context? How can Water Safety Plans be considered in the context of other Microbial and Disinfection Byproduct Rule requirements (e.g., sanitary surveys) or programs?
2. What degree of increased public health protection do you see as being achievable through the use of Water Safety Plans? What data or information are available from within and outside of the United States that may inform the effectiveness and utility of Water Safety Plans or similar holistic drinking water risk management approaches?
3. What are the challenges (e.g., small system capacity, state oversight) to using Water Safety Plans, and how can these challenges be overcome?

4:00PM

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