

September 14th is Protect Ground Water Day

What will **YOU** do to protect and conserve groundwater today and every day?

The La. Dept. of Natural Resources Office of Conservation supports and encourages all of our citizens - young and old - from every corner of the state, to be a part of water conservation.

Today, people all across America are urged to **ACT- acknowledge, consider, take action.**

Ground Water is the primary source of drinking water for over 60 percent of Louisiana residents. Water sources are from domestic wells and public water supplies.

Today- **YOU** can pledge to keep water safe from contamination

YOU can use water wisely by not wasting it

Some Facts

- Americans are the largest water users, per capita, in the world
- Almost all available freshwater comes from aquifers underground
- While public water systems are required to treat drinking water, private well owners must maintain the safety of their water wells
- Human actions can pollute groundwater, so do what you can to prevent and avoid contamination
- Droughts and water shortages are real- some 36 states expect water shortages by year 2013

