Lewis County Public Health & Social Services

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Public Health Water Lab Changes Sample Bottle Procedures

The Lewis County Public Health & Social Services (LCPHSS) water lab has resumed operations, but must change its public access procedures due to the county buildings closure orders. Until further notice, requests for sample bottles must be made by calling 360-740-1222. No requests for sample bottles will be accepted in-person at the Health Department building in downtown Chehalis at this time.

Sample bottle requests will be accepted by phone between 7:30 am and 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. All requests will be processed and available for the caller to pick up between 9 am and 9:30 am the next day. During that time bottles will be available at the east entrance of the Health Department.

"This change will allow us to continue serving our customers while protecting our staff and the public," LCPHSS Director J.P. Anderson said.

Coliform bacteria and nitrate sample bottles can be purchased by calling 360-740-1222 Monday through Friday, 7:30 am to 4:30 pm, excluding holidays. No calls are taken between 11:30 and 12:30. The fee for each test is $28.

To submit your samples, bring them to one of the following locations the same day they are collected.

- LCPHSS Building
  360 NW North Street, Chehalis
  Coliform tests accepted Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, 7:30 am to 4:30 pm
  Nitrates tests accepted Mondays and Tuesdays only, 7:30 am to 4:30 pm
- Coliform and nitrates tests may be dropped off by 9:30 am on the first Monday of each month at any of the following locations.
  - Silver Creek Post Office
  - Morton City Hall
  - Randle Post Office
  - Packwood Post Office

Keep up with current conditions at and services available from the LCPHSS water lab by following @LCPHSS on Twitter or calling 360-740-1227

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