

**WATER QUALITY REFERENCES**

<b>Title</b>	<b><u>Web Page</u></b>	<b>Brief Description</b>
EPA and State Water Quality Standards	<a href="http://epa.gov/waterscience/standards/wqs/library/">http://epa.gov/waterscience/standards/wqs/library/</a>	<p>State, Tribal &amp; Territorial Standards Quick Links</p> <p>EPA has compiled state, territory, and authorized tribal water quality standards that are EPA-approved or were effective prior to May 30, 2000, for Clean Water Act purposes. Some of these documents are more recent than May 2000.</p> <p>These state and tribal water quality standards constitute the baseline of water quality standards in effect for Clean Water Act purposes. Any revisions determined to be less stringent must be approved by EPA prior to use in Clean Water Act programs.</p>
NRCS Water Quality Assessment and Monitoring	<a href="http://www.wsi.nrcs.usda.gov/products/W2Q/W2Q_home.html">http://www.wsi.nrcs.usda.gov/products/W2Q/W2Q_home.html</a>	This site provides NRCS Water Quality Contacts and Water Quality Guidance Documents.
Cal EPA State Water Resources Control Board – Water Quality	<a href="http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/quality.html">http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/quality.html</a>	Provides links to Water Quality Programs.
Water Quality Links from the NRCS Water Management Center	<a href="http://wmc.ar.nrcs.usda.gov/technical/wq.html">http://wmc.ar.nrcs.usda.gov/technical/wq.html</a>	Provides various water quality links.

<p>USGS Water-Quality Data for the Nation</p>	<p><a href="http://waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis/qw">http://waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis/qw</a></p>	<p>The USGS collects and analyzes chemical, physical, and biological properties of water, sediment and tissue samples from across the Nation. The NWISWeb discrete sample data base is a compilation of over 4.4 million historical water quality analyses in the USGS district data bases through September 2005. The discrete sample data is a large and complex set of data that has been collected by a variety of projects ranging from national programs to studies in small watersheds.</p>
<p>CA Dept. of Pesticide Regulation - Ground Water Protection Areas</p>	<p><a href="http://www.cdpr.ca.gov/docs/emon/grndwtr/gwpamaps.htm">http://www.cdpr.ca.gov/docs/emon/grndwtr/gwpamaps.htm</a></p>	<p>A Ground Water Protection Area (GWPA) is defined as an area of land that is vulnerable to the movement of pesticides to ground water according to either leaching or runoff processes. The table below provides links to maps for those counties that have one or more GWPAs. (Counties not listed have no GWPAs.). This Website is sponsored by the California Department of Pesticide Regulation.</p>