

# Gov. Evers: Proclaims August 'National Water Quality Month' in Wisconsin

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MADISON — Gov. Tony Evers today proclaimed August as 'National Water Quality Month' throughout the state of Wisconsin as part of his commitment to improving water quality.

Earlier this year, Gov. Evers declared 2019 as the Year of Clean Drinking Water because today the drinking water for tens of thousands of Wisconsin families does not meet acceptable health standards.

"Everyone should be able to drink water straight from their tap. It is time for our state to fund restoration projects, incorporate science into our natural resource policy, address widespread water contamination, and acknowledge the real and imminent threat of climate change," said Gov. Evers. "By investing in conservation and protecting our natural resources and taking proactive action to prevent pollution, we can work to restore our waterways and ensure clean drinking water for every community in the state."

Wisconsin's natural resources include 88,000 miles of rivers and streams, 1,000 miles of Great Lakes shoreline, 5 million acres of wetlands, numerous coastal and inland beaches and 1.2 quadrillion gallons of groundwater.