

# 2024 Updates to Source Water Protection Areas and AST Level Classifications

## Effective January 1, 2025

The Department of Health and Human Resources (DHHR) has provided updated mapping information to the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection (WVDEP) concerning changes in the Zones of Critical Concern (ZCCs), Zones of Peripheral Concern (ZPCs), and Wellhead Protection Areas (WPAs), including the conjunctive delineation as defined in 64 CSR 3. This updated information will be utilized in the assignment of "levels" to regulated Aboveground Storage Tanks (ASTs).

### 1. Impact on AST Level Classifications

The 2024 source water coverage update for ASTs may result in a change to the "level" classification previously assigned to your tank(s) by the WVDEP and/or the public utility and local municipality to which tank owners are required to give notice, as described in §22-30-10.

#### 1.1 Specific Changes to Public Water Intakes

The updated mapping information includes several changes to public water intakes. These changes are crucial for determining the new level classifications for ASTs, as they reflect the latest data on source water protection areas. Detailed changes are provided in Table 1 of this document.

The WVDEP will update the AST database to incorporate these changes and will notify AST owners of their new AST levels via email. These level changes will take effect on January 1, 2025. Prior to this date, you can view a map of the new coverage areas by following the directions below.

This information is intended to assist AST owners in making informed management decisions. However, please note that it is considered "draft" information until January 1, 2025, and is subject to change and may be incomplete.

The WVDEP anticipates that annual updates to ZCCs, ZPCs, and WPAs will continue as water intakes and wells are installed or closed.

#### Directions to View a Map of the Draft Zone Changes

1. Click on or copy and paste the following link into your web browser:  
<http://tagis.dep.wv.gov/WVWaterPlan>.
2. Agree to the disclaimer.
3. Click the "GIS Layers" list found in the upper left corner of the webpage.
4. Check "DHHR Source Water Protection Areas" and click the triangle to the left to reveal the sublayers.
5. Check the "2024 Source Water Coverage Update for ASTs" layer to view only the changes.

#### Contact Information

For questions regarding your affected ASTs, please contact Joshua Hamrick at (304) 926-0499, ext. 49758, or by email at [Joshua.R.Hamrick@wv.gov](mailto:Joshua.R.Hamrick@wv.gov).

For information regarding public water systems, please contact the DHHR Source Water Assessment & Wellhead Protection Program. Contact information can be found at <https://oehs.wvdhhr.org/eed/staff/>.

**Table 1**

**2024 Source Water Coverage Update for ASTs**

<b>Public Water Source Name</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>TYPE</b>	<b>Comment</b>
LOST AND FOUND PIZZA & PROVISIONS	HARDY	WHPA	Zone Added
VISCOSE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION	PUTNAM	WHPA	Zone Added
GENES	SUMMERS	WHPA	Zone Added