

Agricultural Water Testing Drop-Off Sites in Western New York

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Testing for agricultural water quality for surface water sites such as ponds, streams, canals, springs, and lakes, along with wells is a very useful tool for understanding what might be affecting the quality of water for irrigation. Water testing the wells that will be used washing of fruit and vegetables (and drinking) as prescribed for farm food safety practices needs to be done to establish the quality of that water.

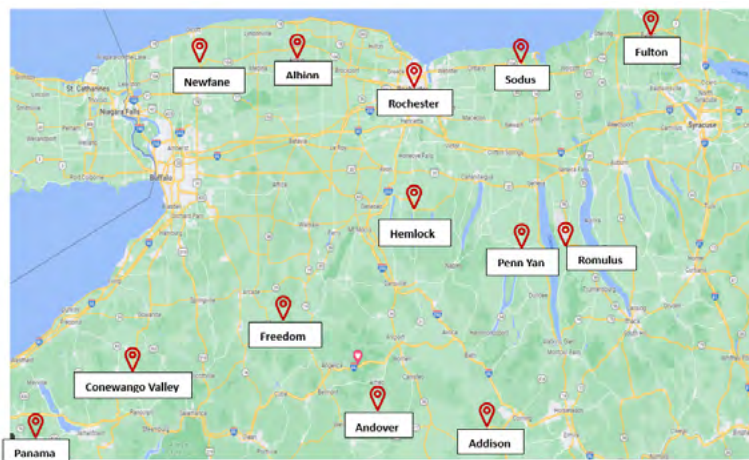
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Water test sample bottles, forms, and information are available at each site. **For quantitative generic E. coli water testing (farm food safety) use the Enumeration test option.**

There are other water tests available for farm and home: well water tests, chemical, and others. The lists can be found with the forms and bottles at the sites.

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Site and Location	Due before
Panama: Eastern States Metal Roofing, 7821 NY-474, Panama, NY 14767; 716-355-4374	Tuesday 9:00 am
Conewango Valley: Andy Raber's Blacksmith Shop, 12451 Eldredge Rd, Conewango Valley, NY 14726; no phone number	Tuesday 9:00 am
Freedom: Pine Grove Country Store Bulk Foods, 8473 County Rd 3, Freedom, NY 14065; 585-567-2367	Tuesday 9:00 am
Andover: Country Crossroads Feed & Seed, 3186 County Route 61, Andover, NY 14806; 607-478-8858	Wednesday 9:00 am
Addison: Country Crossroads Feed & Seed, 94 Front Street, Addison, NY 14801; 607-359-2424	Wednesday 9:00 am
Hemlock: Hemlock's Farm & Garden, 4638 Main Street, Hemlock, NY 14466; 585-367-2315	Wednesday 9:00 am
Albion: Albion Hardware, 146 South Main Street, Albion, NY 14411; 585-589-1713	Thursday 9:00 am
Newfane: Flint Brothers Hardware, Inc., 2769 Main Street, Newfane, NY 14108; 716-778-9654	Thursday 9:00 am
Sodus: The Country Hardware Store, 10 West Main Street, Sodus, NY 14551; 315-483-6571	Friday 9:00 am
Fulton: Northern Ace Home Center, 2721 State Route 3, Fulton, NY 13069; 315-592-2063	Friday 9:00 am
Penn Yan: Martin's Equipment and Hardware, 900 NY-14A, Penn Yan, NY; 315-536-7056	Friday 9:00 am
Romulus: Fishers Supply, 2139 Yerkes Rd, Romulus, NY 14541; 607-869-9317	Friday 9:00 am
Rochester: Lozier Environmental Consulting, Inc.*, 2011 East Main Street, Rochester NY 14609, 585-654-9080	Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

* Lozier Environmental Consulting has set up the sites across the region, teaming up with local businesses who are trying to make water testing more accessible for farms. For more information on the program, call Lozier at their Rochester location.

For assistance interpreting the your test results, contact Robert Hadad at 585-739-4065, or email Robert at rgh26@cornell.edu.