



State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

DRINKING WATER WEEK

2020

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, access to safe, potable water in adequate and reliable quantities is vital to the public health of North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina's streams, lakes, rivers, watersheds, and other clean water sources must be protected and maintained to provide clean drinking water; and

WHEREAS, protecting North Carolina's natural water supply and other natural resources is crucial to the preservation of our environment and to the health of future generations of North Carolinians; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality's Public Water Supply Section monitors 6,000 regulated public water systems to ensure compliance with the federal Safe Drinking Water Act and guarantee clean drinking water for the public; and

WHEREAS, elected officials at every level, businesses, and individuals throughout the state are responsible for ensuring that all North Carolinians have access to clean, safe drinking water; and

WHEREAS, it is the duty of all North Carolinians to preserve the supply of clean drinking water for future generations by respecting our natural resources and obeying laws designed to protect North Carolina's water supplies for our use and for the safety of our state's diverse ecological systems;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 3 – 9, 2020, as "**DRINKING WATER WEEK**" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.



Roy Cooper
Governor

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this first day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-fourth.