## Town of Milford asks for Residents' Help in Keeping Clean Water

Notice to property owners, leaseholders and owners of mineral rights located within Milford's Wellhead Protection area (WHPA).

In March 1997, the State of Indiana passed a law to protect groundwater that is used by public water suppliers. The law is referred to as the Wellhead Protection Plan (WHP). The basic principle is to protect the water before it flows into the wells that are used by public and private water users.

The Milford Water Department has obtained approval from the Indiana Department of Environmental Management to use a 5 year Time of Travel zone around their wells as there area of protection (Wellhead Protection Area). The Town of Milford utilizes two wells in one wellfield to obtain their drinking water from. Therefore, they have one WHPA (See Map).

If you do own or lease property in Milford's WHPA, we are asking for your cooperation in keeping this area free of contamination. If you would like information on WHP Program or would like to get involved in the protection efforts, please call the water superintendent at 574-658-4614.

Remember to practice good environmental methods such as proper disposal of all chemicals, oil, antifreeze, animal waste, household cleaners, paint, etc. Keep your septic systems in good working condition. Properly plug abandoned old wells. Properly dispose of batteries. Whenever possible restrict the use of pesticides and fertilizers to protect the water, as well as your own health.

The Town of Milford's completed WHP plan can be viewed at the Milford Town Hall, 121 S Main Street.

