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## **Governor Armstrong Declares May 4-10 Drinking Water Week in North Dakota**

BISMARCK, N.D. – Gov. Armstrong recently declared May 4-10 as Drinking Water Week in North Dakota. The North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality joins communities across the nation in honoring the drinking water systems.

The water community celebrates Drinking Water Week by highlighting the vital role drinking water plays in our daily lives. This annual observance emphasizes the value of our water resources, the importance of maintaining a safe and reliable water supply for today and the future, and the need for water conservation. To celebrate the week, water utilities, water organizations, government entities, and others help children and consumers of all ages understand how water is protected, cleaned, and delivered throughout their communities. This event honors the dedicated work of water system operators, infrastructure maintenance crews, and water professionals who work around the clock to ensure safe tap water is available whenever needed. Tap Water supports public health by providing clean water for hygiene and hydration, fire protection, economic stability, and the overall quality of life we enjoy.

“More than 85 percent of all North Dakotans receive drinking water from 305 community and rural drinking water systems statewide,” said David Bruschwein, director of the Division of Municipal Facilities. “The department works with local communities and water systems to ensure drinking water meets all health-based standards.”

Organizations involved in promoting Drinking Water Week include the North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality, the North Dakota Rural Water Systems Association, the North Dakota Section of the American Water Works Association, the North Dakota Water and Pollution Control Conference, the North Dakota Chapter of the American Public Works Association, and the North Dakota Water Environment Association.

For more information on Drinking Water Week, contact David Bruschwein, Division of Municipal Facilities, at 701-328-5211, or visit <https://drinktaps.org/>.

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# STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

## PROCLAMATION

### DRINKING WATER WEEK

MAY 4-10, 2025

WHEREAS, water is our most valuable natural resource; and

WHEREAS, drinking water serves a vital role in daily life, serving an essential purpose to health, hydration and hygiene needs for the quality of life North Dakota citizens enjoy; and

WHEREAS, North Dakota is grateful for the hard work performed by the entire water sector, such as designing capital projects, operators ensuring the safety and quality of drinking water or a member of a pipe crew maintaining the infrastructure communities rely on to transport high-quality drinking water from its source to consumers' taps; and

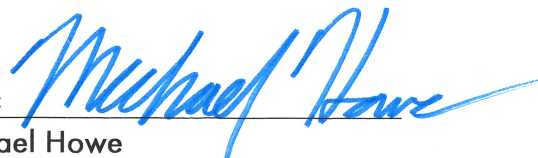
WHEREAS, North Dakota citizens are all stewards of the water infrastructure upon which current and future generations depend; and

WHEREAS, North Dakota citizens are called upon to help protect our source waters from pollution, practice water conservation and get involved with their water by familiarizing themselves with it.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim  
May 4-10, 2025, DRINKING WATER WEEK in the State of North Dakota.



  
Kelly Armstrong  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:   
Michael Howe  
SECRETARY OF STATE