

**WEST VIRGINIA WATER SCIENCE CENTER CONFINED-SPACE PROGRAM  
DOCUMENTATION**

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**No employee of the West Virginia Water Science Center is permitted entry into confined spaces - this includes all stilling wells. This is the official policy of the WV Water Science Center. All stilling wells have been marked as hazardous spaces with prohibited entry (warnings appear on all clean-out doors of all stilling-well gages). Access to stilling wells is prohibited to all individuals. Center personnel are to maintain the appropriate warning signs for all stilling-well gages visited during their routine field trips. This policy will remain in effect unless changed by the Director of the WV Water Science Center. Changing the policy to allow entry into confined spaces would require a new confined-space policy to be written that would conform to all OSHA rules and regulations governing entry into confined spaces to include testing of atmospheres and standby rescue teams.**

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