



USDA-CSREES 2006 National Water Quality Conference

[Water Quality Research and Extension Activities, Michigan State University](#)

Over 160 research scientists and extension educators deal with various aspects of water at Michigan State University. Representing over 18 departments and centers within six colleges, researchers deal with a wide array of issues ranging from nutrient and pesticide impacts on water quality to alternative waste treatment systems to groundwater protection. MSU Extension's statewide network provides research-based education to citizens in all of its counties to deal with pressing issues within communities such as emerging environmental threats, natural resources degradation, and high-density development. Two major themes, Drinking Water and Human Health and Nonpoint Source Pollution and Animal Waste Management, are highlighted. Also featured are the Groundwater Inventory and Mapping Project, a project mandated by the Michigan Legislature and MSU-Water (Watershed Action through Education and Research), a \$1.4 million initiative involving faculty, staff, and students.

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