

Q#24 24. About half the residents of Southwest Harbor get their water from wells. Are you concerned that the water quality/quantity from these wells may be threatened?-

Q#25 25. If yes, please describe your concerns.

**Respondee Comments**

- 1 Water runoff contributes to negativity here.
- 3 Very concerned that household chemicals in septic systems gets into water table; concerned as well about lawn chemical use.
- 7 Any chemical run-on should be restricted and the water table protected to the max the law allows.
- 10 Environmental pollution from mixed use and fertilizers/pesticides
- 11 Lawn fertilizers/pesticide treatments, weed killers, commercial spring water extractions
- 12 Salt from roads
- 13 Wells up near the dump? Yuck! Wells near the Hinckley Boat shop?  
There is very little education for the residents as far as organic and responsible lawn & garden management. As well then the town would need to change/adjust as well in their own guidelines.
- 16 Storm runoff, contamination from neighboring development.
- 17 Salt from roads.
- 20 The aquifers are small, over use and septic tank drainage are concerns.
- 22 Quality and quantity always need to be evaluated and watched.
- 24 Moratorium on blasting until good research on geological makeup of SWH
- 25 Runoff/sewer
- 26 Residential pesticide usage, commercial chemicals from boatyards
- 37 Run-off; faulty septic systems  
Wells and water use are unregulated; older wells that may be shallow could be affected by newer, deeper wells and insensitive water use. The placement of numerous wells for such a small area would magnify the problem for the shallow wells.
- 47 Some of the trash/liquid I have seen at the transfer station are scary
- 53 More pollution from roads and storm water
- 54 Runoff, pesticides, fertilizers
- 55 Constant development. industrial and business uses in residential areas.
- 59 Concerned about ground water runoff, collecting in cul-de-sacs such as bottom of east ridge road.
- 62 Water table being lowered by too many wells.
- 74 Water should be drinkable.
- 80 Pollution of wells should be an ongoing concern and monitored regularly.
- 83 Pollution from town dump and cancer in rocks and boat building material.
- 84 Septic pollution
- 90 Protection of ground water.
- 108 Many residents do not care about the consequences of their actions to their neighbors.
- 110 I am concerned about the quality of town water.
- 114 Road runoff especially salt
- 117 Rain water runoff  
In some areas the property lot is too small for a well & septic system; if a house lot needs a well & septic, the minimum lot size should be a least 1 1/2 acres.
- 118 natural and man-made toxins in through the ecosystem
- 140 More growth equals more chance of contamination.
- 141 Mt desert water company vulnerable to possible purchase by outside corp if we don't limit pumping; could reduce water table so that wells go dry.
- 142 surface water contamination
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