

## LEAD AND COPPER TESTING PROGRAM

The Lincoln County Water Treatment Plant is required by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the State of North Carolina to collect lead and copper samples. As the distribution system continues to grow, the requirements to obtain more sample locations increases. Please click on <http://www.lincolncounty.org/DocumentCenter/View/6092> for more information on Lead and Copper Guidelines.

Lincoln County usually sample every three years. The results will be provided to the participant, when the reports are generated for the State. Water customers, who are selected to participate in the program, will be sent a survey form to fill out prior to beginning the program. If you qualify and are accepted into the program, you will receive a \$10.00 one-time credit towards their next water bill after each test (every three years).

To participate in this program you would have to be a current water customer of Lincoln County Public Works. Your home would have to have been built prior to December 1985 and still have the original copper plumbing.

If you qualify for this program, Lincoln County will provide you with a sample container. After collecting the water sample, a County representative will pick the sample up and have it analyzed at no cost to you. This program is to ensure that your drinking water is within required water quality parameters for lead and copper.

The participant would have to collect the water sample, first thing in the morning, in the container provided. Once the sample has been collected, place the sample outside your front door and a Lincoln County representative will pick it up.

If you would like to participate in our lead and copper monitoring program, please call 704-483-7082 or 704-483-8301.

For more information regarding lead and copper, please visit the following EDA website: <http://www.ncwater.org/pws/LCR.html>.