

2019 & 2020 Testing Schedule

Write these dates in your diary! Reminder emails and sms will also be sent to volunteers to alert you that your monthly Bellingham Riverwatch testing is coming up.

If you are unable to complete testing on one of the dates below at your nominated site, please [contact the Project Coordinator](#).

2019	Dates for Water Quality Testing	Data to be uploaded by
June	Tues 11th & Wed 12th	Mon 17th
July	Tues 9th & Wed 10th	Mon 15th
August	Tues 13th & Wed 14th	Mon 19th
September	Tues 10th & Wed 11th	Mon 16th
October	Tues 8th & Wed 9th	Mon 14th
November	Tues 12th & Wed 13th	Mon 18th
December	Tues 10th & Wed 11th	Mon 16th

2020	Dates for Water Quality Testing	Data to be uploaded by
January	Tues 14th & Wed 15th	Mon 20th
February	Tues 11th & Wed 12th	Mon 17th
March	Tues 10th & Wed 11th	Mon 16th
April	Tues 14th & Wed 15th	Mon 20th
May	Tues 12th & Wed 13th	Mon 18th
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Post-Rainfall Data Collection (optional extra activity)

The Bellingham Riverwatch project provides a good opportunity to monitor the health of our rivers before, during and after long dry spells.

Additional water quality testing, immediately after a significant rain event that occurs after a long-dry period, can contribute very useful data on areas that are being adversely impacted by low flow conditions.

We know this is outside of the normal monitoring days and we don't want to add extra work to our fantastic monitoring team members.

However, if you are able to test your regular site(s) 24-48 hours after rainfall, and upload your data as usual, it adds extra useful information on water quality for our project.

What if it floods?

In the event of flood conditions, please ensure that you **do not enter flooded waterways** to take samples. Instead, **wait at least 24-48 hours until water levels recede** and access to the river is safe for you.

If access is not safe, do not test!