# **How to Collect Irrigation Water for Nutrient Testing**

Ready to test your irrigation water for nutrients? You've started in the right place (good job!).

Follow the steps below to understand how to get the best possible sample!

#### **STEP ONE: Gathering your supplies**

Irrigation water can be brought, mailed or shipped in a regular water bottle (a simple plastic water bottle from the gas station is perfect!). The ONLY time glass is acceptable is if you're physically bringing the sample into our lab. **PLEASE do not ship glass.** 

### **STEP TWO: Taking your sample**

Once you've located your bottle, triple (3 times) rinse your bottle and cap with the water you're wanting testing. We need approx. half a 16.9 fl.oz. bottle for nutrient testing or 8.9 fl.oz. A little over this amount is always welcomed.

### STEP THREE: Mailing, shipping or bringing in your sample

So you've collected your sample, or multiple samples. Now what? If you're mailing or shipping your samples, please package them with care so they will not be punctured. Please utilize our submission forms at <a href="https://www.westernlaboratories.com/submission-forms">www.westernlaboratories.com/submission-forms</a>. This ensures we will give your sample the testing your'e looking for. If you're bringing the sample into the lab, we have the submission forms printed for your convince to be filled out at drop off.

## **STEP FOUR: What happens now?**

Once your sample is received it will be prepped and ran for the testing you've requested. Your results will be sent to your valid email listed on your submission form.

As always, please remember the best sample begins with you.

For any further questions or concerns please contact us!