

# Measures under the multi-annual Rural Water Programme 2019-2021

- **Measure 1 - Source Protection (Group Water Scheme Sector):** This measure is aimed at protecting the raw water sources of group water schemes.
- **Measure 2 - Public health compliance (Group Water Scheme Sector):** This measure is aimed at improving water quality in existing group water schemes, through upgrading of their treatment facilities.
- **Measure 3 - Enhancement of existing schemes including water conservation (Group Water Scheme Sector):** This measure supports projects to improve the operational efficiency of group water schemes in relation to water conservation initiatives and general network upgrades, including storage.
- **Measure 4 – New Group Water Schemes:** This measure supports social and economic development in rural towns and villages and their hinterlands by providing new group water schemes where public water supply schemes or individual/private wells are not the most viable option.
- **Measure 5 – Transition of Existing Group Water Schemes and Group Sewerage Schemes to the Public (Irish Water) Water Sector:** This measure enables existing group water schemes and existing group sewerage schemes, where they wish to do so and with the agreement of Irish Water, to transition to the public water sector (Irish Water)
- **Measure 6 - Community Connections (Water and Wastewater):** This measure facilitates the continued expansion of the coverage of piped water supplies and central wastewater collection systems by extension off the public (Irish Water) network.
- **Measure 7 - Innovation and Research:** This measure is aimed at supporting new and innovative approaches and solutions to addressing water services issues and in building water awareness.
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- **Measure 8 - Individual wells (more commonly known as private or household wells) and on-site wastewater treatment systems (more commonly known as septic tanks):** This measure is aimed at allowing householders that are dependent on these services to obtain funding support for their improvement.