



Shasta County

DEPARTMENT OF RESOURCE MANAGEMENT
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NEW WELL PERMIT ISSUANCE PROCEDURES FOR IMPLEMENTING REQUIREMENTS UNDER EXECUTIVE ORDER N-7-22

On March 28, 2022, Governor Gavin Newsom signed Executive Order N-7-22 (“Executive Order”) in response to extreme and expanding drought conditions which **effective immediately** prohibits Shasta County Environmental Health Division (EHD) from issuing a construction permit for a new groundwater well or for alteration of an existing groundwater well pursuant to Chapter 8.56 of the Shasta County Code unless certain requirements are met or the permit falls within the limited exception to the requirements. A complete copy of the Executive Order is available here: <https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/March-2022-Drought-EO.pdf>

Limited Exemption

Paragraph 9 of the Executive Order does not apply to permits for wells that will provide **less than two (2) acre-feet per year** of groundwater for **individual domestic users or** that will exclusively provide groundwater to public water supply systems as defined in Health and Safety Code Section 116275.

If a water well construction permit application for a new groundwater well or for alteration of an existing groundwater well identifies the “Proposed Use” as “Domestic,” EHD will treat the permit as exempt from the requirements of the Executive Order if the **owner of the well** signs and submits the declaration attached as **Exhibit A**.

If a water well construction permit application for a new groundwater well or for alteration of an existing groundwater well identifies the “Proposed Use” as “Public,” EHD will treat the permit as exempt from the requirements of the Executive Order if an authorized representative of the public water system signs and submits the declaration attached as **Exhibit B**.

Registered Professional Geologist or Registered Professional Civil Engineer Determination Required for ALL Non-Exempt Wells

Regardless of the well’s location, the water well construction permit application for a non-exempt new or altered groundwater well must be accompanied by a signed declaration by a California Registered Professional Geologist or California Registered Professional Civil Engineer that concludes **both** that extraction of groundwater from the well (1) “is not likely to interfere with the production and functioning of existing nearby wells” **and** (2) “is not likely to cause subsidence that would adversely impact or damage nearby infrastructure.” (See Paragraph 9(b) of the Executive

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Order).

Verification from Groundwater Sustainability Agency for Certain Non-Exempt Wells

Additionally, EHD's authority to issue a water well construction permit for a non-exempt new groundwater well or alteration of an existing groundwater well located within a basin subject to the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) and classified as a medium or high-priority groundwater basin or subbasin is restricted pursuant to EO N-7-22. Within the Redding Area Groundwater Basin there are two subbasins that are designated as medium priority. These include the Enterprise subbasin (Department of Water Resources (DWR) Basin No 5-6.004) and the Anderson subbasin (DWR Basin No. 5-6003). Pursuant to EO N-7-22, EHD may not issue a water well construction permit for a non-exempt new groundwater well, or for alteration of an existing groundwater well that is located in either the Enterprise subbasin, or the Anderson subbasin, without first obtaining written verification from the Enterprise Anderson Groundwater Sustainability Agency (EAGSA) that: "groundwater extraction by the proposed well would not be inconsistent with the sustainable groundwater management program established in the Groundwater Sustainability Plan(s) adopted by the EAGSA and would not decrease the likelihood of achieving a sustainability goal for the basins covered by the GSP(s)."

On May 26, 2022 the Enterprise-Anderson Groundwater Sustainability Agency (EAGSA) adopted Resolution No. 2022-02 (Exhibit C), thereby making the determinations that groundwater extraction by proposed new groundwater wells and by proposed alteration of existing wells subject to the Executive Order in the Enterprise and Anderson Subbasins is not inconsistent with the Groundwater Sustainability Plans adopted by the EAGSA for the Enterprise and Anderson subbasins and will not decrease the likelihood of achieving the sustainability goals for the Enterprise and Anderson subbasins.

The EAGSA Resolution No. 2022-02 shall serve as the written verification from the Groundwater Sustainability Agency that is required pursuant to section 9(a) of the Executive Order until such time the Executive Order is repealed by the California Governor or Resolution No. 2022-02 is repealed by the EAGSA.



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OFFICE USE Well Permit No. _____

EXHIBIT A

Well for Individual Domestic Use

As the owner of the proposed well or existing well to be altered and as a necessary condition on the issuance of a water well construction permit for a new groundwater well or alteration of an existing groundwater well, I hereby declare for myself, successors and assigns, that no more than two (2) acre feet per year will be pumped from the well **AND** that all water pumped from the well will be used only to supply water for the **domestic needs of an individual residence.**

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Printed Name: _____



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EXHIBIT B

Well for a Public Water Supply System

The public water system name is: _____.

The public water system identification number is: _____.

As an authorized representative for the water system identified above, I hereby declare that the proposed well or existing well to be altered will be exclusively used to provide groundwater to the public water supply system for human consumption as defined in Health and Safety Code Section 116275.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

EXHIBIT C

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE ENTERPRISE-ANDERSON GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY IN COMPLIANCE WITH EXECUTIVE ORDER N-7-22 DETERMINING THAT NEW WELL PERMITS IN THE ANDERSON AND ENTERPRISE SUBBASINS ARE NOT INCONSISTENT WITH THE ADOPTED GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLANS AND WILL NOT DECREASE LIKELIHOOD OF ACHIEVING THE SUSTAINABILITY GOALS

WHEREAS, under the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act of 2014 (“SGMA”), the Enterprise-Anderson Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“EAGSA”) was formed for the purpose of achieving groundwater sustainability through the implementation of Groundwater Sustainability Plans (“GSPs”); and

WHEREAS, the Enterprise and Anderson subbasins are classified as medium priority basins and not high priority basins; and

WHEREAS, the EAGSA adopted GSPs for the Enterprise and Anderson subbasins in January 2022; and

WHEREAS, the adopted GSP for the Enterprise subbasin demonstrates the basin is underutilized based on the following facts:

1. The current average groundwater pumping is 20,000 acre-feet per year and the estimated sustainable yield of the basin is 75,000 acre-feet per year; and

WHEREAS, the adopted GSP for the Anderson subbasin demonstrates the basin is underutilized based on the following facts :

1. The current average groundwater pumping is 20,000 acre-feet per year and the estimated sustainable yield of the basin is 89,000 acre-feet per year ; and

WHEREAS, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-7-22 on March 28, 2022 prohibiting a county from approving certain new groundwater well permits in a basin classified as medium or high priority subject to SGMA without obtaining a written statement from the local Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) that the proposed well would not be inconsistent with the adopted GSP and would not decrease the likelihood of achieving the sustainability goals for the basin covered by such a GSP; and

WHEREAS, permits for wells that will provide less than two acre-feet per year of groundwater for individual domestic users, or that will exclusively provide groundwater to public water supply systems as defined in section 116275 of the Health and Safety Code are exempt from the requisite written statement from the local GSA; and

WHEREAS, the excess groundwater capacity in the medium and high priority basins allows the EAGSA to make a general determination regarding the verifications required by Executive Order N-7-22.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Directors of EAGSA makes the following finding and determinations:

1. The above recitals are true and correct and support the determinations set forth herein.
2. Groundwater extraction by proposed new groundwater wells and by proposed alteration of existing wells subject to Executive Order N-7-22 in the Enterprise subbasin is not

inconsistent with the GSP adopted by the EAGSA for the Enterprise subbasin and will not decrease the likelihood of achieving the sustainability goals for the Enterprise subbasin.

3. Groundwater extraction by proposed new groundwater wells and by proposed alteration of existing wells subject to Executive Order N-7-22 in the Anderson subbasin is not inconsistent with the GSP adopted by the EAGSA for the Anderson subbasin and will not decrease the likelihood of achieving the sustainability goals for the Anderson subbasin.
4. These determinations are only in effect until the California Governor repeals Executive Order N-7-22.
5. Staff are directed to review the facts and circumstances supporting these determinations and to report to the Board of Directors at a meeting date that coincides with scheduled Board meetings any changes in circumstances that would alter these determinations.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Enterprise-Anderson Groundwater Sustainability Agency on the 26th day of May, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES:	BOARD MEMBERS: Haynes, Fust, Hunt, Nash, Resner and Chair Garman.
NOES:	BOARD MEMBERS: None.
ABSENT:	BOARD MEMBERS: None.
ABSTAIN:	BOARD MEMBERS: None.



Timothy Garman, Chair

ATTEST:



CHRISTY WHITE, City Clerk/ Clerk of the Board

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APPLICATION FOR WATER WELL PERMIT

WTR# _____

APPLICANT (Must be licensed contractor or property owner.)

Name _____
Mailing Address _____
City, State, Zip Code _____
Telephone _____
EMail Address _____

PROPERTY OWNER

Name _____
Mailing Address _____
City, State, Zip Code _____
Telephone _____
EMail Address _____

WELL CONTRACTOR

Name _____
Mailing Address _____
City, State, Zip Code _____
Telephone _____
EMail Address _____
License # _____

PLOT PLAN is to be submitted on **8½ x 11** sheet according to the Sample Plot Plan instructions and show **all** requested information.

DIRECTIONS TO LOCATE PROPERTY shall be provided on the back of this application or the back of the plot plan. Directions must be adequate for staff to locate property.

WELL NUMBER (If applicable): _____

PUBLIC WATER AVAILABLE YES NO
If YES, public water system name: _____

Proof of legal creation is required on undeveloped parcels.

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Application received by _____ Date: _____
\$ _____ received Receipt # _____
Associated Applications and Projects: _____
Zoning/General Plan _____
Legal Creation verified by: _____ Date: _____
Pre-Permit Inspection Required? Yes No
By: _____ Date: _____
Notes: _____

Permit Issued By: _____ Date: _____

Final Inspection By: _____ Date: _____

Completion Notice Received: _____ Well Depth: _____

Inspection Notes: _____

LOCATION OF PROPERTY

Street or Road _____
City _____
Assessor's Parcel Number _____

LOT SIZE _____ x _____ or acreage _____

TYPE OF WORK

New Well Deepening Destroying Reconditioning

PROPOSED USE * REQUIRED ANNULAR SEAL DEPTH

Domestic 20 foot minimum
 Agricultural (Proposed Diameter _____") 20 foot minimum
 Industrial 50 foot minimum
 Public 50 foot minimum
 Monitoring Varies, attach schematic.
 Other _____ Varies, attach schematic.

* Alternate seal depth may be required by site conditions or as noted in conditions below. Minimum thickness of annular space seal is 2 inches.

SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTOR

I certify that I am licensed under the provisions of Division 3, Chapter 9 of the Business and Professions Code, and my license is in full force and effect. License # _____

I certify that I have read this application and the above information is correct. I agree to comply with all Shasta County Ordinances and State Laws relating to this construction.

SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTOR DATE

SIGNATURE OF OWNER (required on all applications)

I certify that I have read this application and the above information is correct. I agree to comply with all Shasta County Ordinances and State Laws relating to this construction, and hereby authorize representatives of SHASTA COUNTY to enter the property for inspection purposes.

By signing this application I agree to defend, indemnify, and hold the county harmless from any claim, action, or proceeding brought to attack, set aside, void or annul the county's approval of this application.

I understand that the Shasta County Department of Resource Management, in releasing this permit for the immediate construction of a water well does not guarantee the issuance of any other development permits or land use request for this property.

SIGNATURE OF OWNER DATE

WELL COMPLETION REPORT SHALL BE SUBMITTED PRIOR TO FINAL APPROVAL OF WELL.

Casing Depth: _____ Est. G.P.M. _____

WELL PERMIT APPLICATION FEES

New Well Construction	\$563.33
Destruction	\$362.14
Destruction (same time as new construction)	\$160.95
Reconditioning/Deepening	\$160.95
Public Water Well	\$885.23
Agriculture Well	\$724.28
Monitoring Well Construction	\$402.38 (\$241.43 each additional well after one)
Monitoring Well Destruction	\$362.14 (\$241.43 each additional well after one)
Boring Destruction	\$362.14 (\$241.43 each additional well after one)