

# Tulare County Environmental Health

## Well Destruction Application Guide



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## **INTRODUCTION**

This document is intended to assist Well Contractors in completing the **Application to Destroy a Well**.

## **HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE**

This guide will go through each section of the **Application to Destroy a Well**, and provide instruction on what information is being requested. This is so that submitted applications are as complete as possible in order to avoid delays in processing.

As always, should there be questions, the Tulare County Environmental Health Well Permitting Program can be reached at:

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## **PAGE 1; SECTION 1: APPLICANT INFORMATION**

This section is for information related to the client of the drilling contractor. Provide the:

- Applicant's Name
- Applicant's Telephone Number
- Mailing Address to send the issued permit
- Email Address for contact with applicant

Check the appropriate box if the applicant is the Property Owner or an Authorized Agent of the Property Owner. If the Applicant is not the Property Owner, provide the name and Telephone Number. Written authorization **must** be attached to the application form in the case of an Authorized Agent of the Property Owner. An Authorized Agent is an employee of a C-57 licensed water well drilling contractor working under the license of the well contractor, the property owner, or any individual duly authorized in writing by the property owner as the agent thereof. When a company name is listed as the Applicant Name, an Authorized Agent letter is also needed.

## **PAGE 1; SECTION 2: CONTRACTOR INFORMATION**

Provide the following:

- Company Name
- Email Address
- Mailing Address to send the issued permit
- C-57 License Number
- Office Telephone Number
- Cellphone Number

## **PAGE 1; SECTION 3: CONSULTANT INFORMATION**

This section is only required as part of a project where a consultant has been hired. Provide the following:

- Name of the Consulting Firm
- Consultant's Name
- Mailing Address
- Email Address
- Telephone number

## **PAGE 1; SECTION 4: PARCEL INFORMATION**

Provide the following:

- Location of the well site. Either an address, or measured distances from cross streets or property lines.  
Examples:
  - If an address exists: 33700 Road 156 – 86' S & 85' E/PLS, Ivanhoe
  - If no address exists: N/Ave 424 & W/Rd 120 – 170' S & 68' W/PLS, Sultana
- Nearest City – Provide closest city where well is located
- Parcel Size in Acres
- Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) (Example: 021-060-001)
- Township, Range and Section (Example: 16-24-1)
- GPS Data using decimal degrees (Example: 36.249886; -119.155854)
- Indicate whether the well is located in the Valley or Foothills/Mountain region of the County
- Project Start Date – The application must be submitted at least ten (10) working days prior to the proposed starting date
- Groundwater Basin – Select the Groundwater Basin and the Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) that has jurisdiction where the well is located.
  - Use this link to determine the correction GSA:  
<https://iportal.tularecounty.ca.gov/iportal/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=e3e4fc3ab9174da1ad751619bae29291>

## **PAGE 2; SECTION 5: TYPE OF WORK**

Provide the following:

- Destroy – Fill in circle

## **PAGE 2; SECTION 6: WELL TYPE**

For this section, indicate the type of well to be destroyed. The options are:

- **Domestic** – A well that serves 1-4 homes
- **Dairy Supply** - Exclusively used by a Dairy Farm for the milk production process

- **Test Well** - A well with or without a casing constructed for the purpose of gathering information regarding subterranean conditions preparatory to commencement of a well construction project
- **Community** - A water well used to supply water for domestic purposes in systems subject to Chapter 7, Part 1, Division 5 of the California Health and Safety Code. Included are wells supplying public water systems classified by the Department of Public Health or its successor as Non-Community, Transient Non-Community and State Small water systems (California Waterworks Standards, Title 22, California Administrative Code). Such wells are variously referred to as “Municipal Wells,” “City Wells” or “Public Water Supply Wells.”
- **Industrial** - Exclusively used by a Business for the processes related to producing goods or services
- **Cathodic Protection** - Any artificial excavation in excess of fifty (50) feet deep constructed by any means for the purpose of installing equipment or facilities for the electrical protection of metallic equipment that is in contact with the ground
- **Agricultural** - Exclusively used to supply water for irrigation or other agricultural purposes
- **Monitoring Well(s)** - Any artificial excavation made by any method for the purpose of monitoring fluctuations in groundwater levels, quality of underground waters or the concentration of contaminants in underground waters
  - Number of Monitoring Well(s) - Indicate the number of them in the space provided.
  - Application submittal requirements for Monitoring Wells: Only one application submittal is required if one or more monitoring wells are all located on the same Assessor’s Parcel Number (APN). Fee charges are based on the number APNs and Township, Range, and Sections (if monitoring well is located in a Right of Way) and not the number of monitoring wells being destroyed.
  - Contractor will have to complete duplicate pages of the well destruction information page if information varies.
- **Other** – Use the provided space to describe the well if it does not meet the other descriptions.

**PAGE 2; SECTION 7: WELL DESTRUCTION INFORMATION**

This section is for technical information pertaining to the destruction of a well. Provide the following:

Well Construction:

- Gravel Pack
- Open Bottom
- Uncased
- Other – Indicate in space provided
- Diameter – Indicate in space provided. If multiple diameters, include all

Well Casing:

- PVC
- Steel
- Original Well Depth – Indicate in spaced provided
- Casing cut off - Indicate in spaced provided. The maximum depth of an excavation is five (5) feet.
- Explanation – No excavation requires an explanation and approval

Seal Depth:

- Seal Depth in feet

Seal Method:

- Freefall (Minimum is twenty (20) feet and Maximum is thirty (30) feet.
- Tremie Pipe - The tremie pipe must be made of metal, not PVC.
- Fill material below seal – Indicate in space provided

Seal Material

- Neat Cement
- Concrete
- Sack Sand Slurry – Use the provided field to indicate the Sand Slurry mix
- Bentonite – Product Name Type – Indicate in space provided

## **PAGE 2; SECTION 8: CONTRACTOR DISCLAIMERS**

The Contractor should read the disclaimers in this section and indicate that they've read and understood them by initialing in the space provided.

## **PAGE 2; SECTION 9: DRILLING CONTRACTOR CERTIFICATION STATEMENT**

The Contractor should read the statement in this section and certify their agreement to the statements with their initials in the space provided.

## **PAGE 2; SECTION 10: INDEMNIFICATION**

The Contactor and applicant should read the statement in this section and certify their agreement to the statements with their signatures in the Contractor and Applicant Sections

## **PAGE 2; SECTION 11: CONTRACTOR**

The Contractor is to read this section, print name, sign, and date.

## **PAGE 2; SECTION 12: APPLICANT**

The Applicant is to read this section, print name, sign, and date.

## **PAGE 2; SECTION 13: ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION USE ONLY**

Environmental Health uses this section to process the application.

### **PAGE 3; SECTION 14: SITE MAP INFORMATION**

Use the space provided to draw a map of the property which includes the following:

- Nearest cross-streets to the parcel
- Existing structures on the parcel
- Property lines and measurements
  - Need one from the North or South
  - Need one from the East or West
- A compass arrow pointing North has been added to the map section.