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WELL CERTIFICATION PROCEDURES

1. Obtain an "Application for Well Certification" from Environmental Health Services (EHS).
2. Complete the application.
3. Determine the capacity of the well. See the Pump Test Guidelines. (To be performed by a C-57 Licensed Water Well Contractor.)
4. Obtain water samples and have them analyzed for the items checked on the "Application for Well Certification." The water samples must be analyzed by a California certified laboratory.
5. **Submit the results of the pump test and water analysis along with the "Application for Well Certification" to EHS. Pay the \$212.00 well certification fee.** EHS will review the submitted information to determine if the water quantity and quality from the well meet regulatory standards. (Provide the name, address, and phone number of the company or person that conducted the pump test.)
6. EHS will conduct a field visit to the well to verify that the surface features of the well meet California Well Standards.
7. EHS will write a letter verifying that the well meets the requirements for a potable water source.

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**San Bernardino County
Division of Environmental Health Services
Application for Well Certification**

Fee: \$212.00

Applicant Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone – Daytime: _____ **Cell:** _____

Well Site Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Assessor’s Parcel Number: _____

The following water quality tests are required to be completed by an independent laboratory:

Bacteriological	X	Organic Chemicals	
General Minerals	X	Inorganic Chemicals	X
General Phys. Standards	X	Radioactivity	

*The well must have all of the surface features as required in the Water Well Standards: State of California, Bulletin 74-81 and applicable San Bernardino County Code.

Submit all required items to:
Division of Environmental Health Services
Land Use Protection Program
385 N. Arrowhead Ave. 2nd Floor
San Bernardino, CA 92415-0160

County of San Bernardino

Environmental Health Services

Water / Wastewater / Land Use Section

Pump Test Guidelines

This document provides the procedures to be used for performing a "well pump test" in order to obtain approval from the Division of Environmental Health Services (DEHS) for the residential or commercial use of a well as a potable water source.

Policy

Every person performing a pump test for the purpose of establishing water availability for **new developments, well sharing, or Building and Safety required well certifications** shall make application and secure a permit from DEHS. The pump test shall be performed by a C-57 contractor (licensed well driller), civil engineer, registered geologist, registered environmental health specialist, or an approved company that provides such service (Edison or Pump Check). A meter shall be used to determine the flow. The pump test results shall be submitted to EHS for review.

The pump test shall provide at a minimum the following information:

- . Static water level
- . Draw down (Pumping water level)
- . Production capacity (Gallons or cubic feet per minute)
- . Test duration (hours)
- . Sustained yield (Gallons or cubic feet per minute)
- . Recovery time
- . Pump size (horsepower)

The duration of the pump test shall be determined by the sustained yield of the well as indicated below:

10+gpm 2-hours

3-9gpm 4-hours

<3gpm 8-hours

Any well that cannot meet the listed sustained yield durations will require additional testing. The additional test duration is dependent upon the well's initial sustained yield.

No water from a new or reconstructed well shall be used for domestic purposes until the water meets the bacteriological, general mineral, general physical, and inorganic chemical standards prescribed in Title 22, California Code of Regulations.

EHS may grant an exemption to the pump test requirements provided it has sufficient information regarding the groundwater basin to ensure an adequate water supply is available for the project.

LOCAL LABORATORIES APPROVED FOR CHEMICAL AND
BACTERIOLOGICAL WATER ANALYSIS BY THE CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

LOCATION	LABORATORY	PHONE NUMBER
CHINO	Applied P & CH Laboratory 13760 Magnolia Ave.	(909) 590-1820
CHINO	Western Analytical 13744 Monte Vista	(909) 627-3628
COLTON	Del Mar Analytical Colton Laboratory 1014 E. Cooley Dr., Ste A	(909) 370-4667
GRAND TERRACE	Clinical Laboratory 21881 Barton Rd.	(909) 825-7693
HESPERIA	Geo-Monitor 17152 Darwin Ave.	(760) 244-3481
RIVERSIDE	Babcock & Sons 6100 Quail Valley Ct.	(951) 653-3351
SAN BERNARDINO	San Bernardino County Public Health Laboratory (Bacteria Testing Only) 799 E. Rialto Ave.	(909) 383-3000
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