

New Groundwater Well Siting and Construction Guidelines Adopted

As of Adoption on April 4, 2022, all new and previously submitted, yet-to-be-approved permit applications must adhere to the Groundwater Well Siting and Construction Guidelines. Additional information on the adoption of these guidelines is available in the Stanislaus County BOS report:

<https://www.stancounty.com/bos/agenda/2022/ag04-05-22.pdf>

Why This Is Important

Improperly constructed wells are a potential pathway for introducing poor quality water, pollutants, and contaminants to good-quality groundwater, and can cause groundwater quality degradation and risks to public health. The DWR is developing an updated version of the State Well Standards that is currently expected to be issued in approximately one year, but, in the meantime, the County adopted Implementation Guidelines for its Well Ordinance that will provide clear definition as to which permit applications will be required to undergo discretionary review.

Forms & Guidelines

Forms & Guidelines are located at:

<https://www.stancounty.com/er/forms.shtm>

If you have any questions, please contact our Environmental Health Division at 209-525-6700.