

REPLACEMENT WELL NOTICE

Use this form to inform the DNRC of a well that has been replaced.

For municipal wells that do not exceed 450 gpm or for all other wells that do not exceed 35 gpm and 10 ac-ft per year.

WATER RIGHT: Attach a copy of the existing water right.

WELL LOG: Attach a copy of the well log for the new well.

Also attach a copy of the old well log, if available.

MAP: Attach a map showing the new & old well locations.

FILING FEE: \$150.00

FOR DEPARTMENT USE ONLY

Notice No. _____ Basin _____
 Date Received _____ Time _____ AM / PM
 Rec'd By _____
 Fee Rec'd \$ _____ Check # _____
 Deposit Receipt # _____
 Payor _____
 Refund \$ _____ Date _____

If your development is within a Controlled Ground Water Area, the regional office will contact you to explain the correct filing requirements.

READ AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS BELOW TO DETERMINE IF YOU CAN FILE YOUR WATER USE ON THIS FORM.

- Yes No Is the groundwater aquifer the same for the new well and the old well?
 Yes No Is the flow rate used from the new well the same or less than the maximum flow rate of the old well?
 Yes No Is the new well used for the same purposes (there is no increase in the use) as the old well?
 Yes No Was the old well properly abandoned? The proper abandonment procedures can be found in the Board of Water Well Contractor rules, ARM 36.21.670.

If the answer to all of the above questions is "yes", you can file this form. Complete the information below.

1. WATER RIGHT OWNER(S) _____

Mailing Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Work Phone _____ Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

2. WATER RIGHT NUMBER (for the old well being replaced) _____

If you do not have a DNRC water right number, you may have an Exempt Existing Water Right. Please see the instructions on the back of this form.

3. WELL DEPTHS & STATIC WATER LEVEL

Old well depth: _____ feet New well depth: _____ feet
 Old well static level: _____ feet New well static level: _____ feet

4. NEW WELL LOCATION

The new well is located approximately _____ feet _____ (direction) from the old well.
 _____ 1/4 _____ 1/4 _____ 1/4 Section _____ Twp _____ N / S Rge _____ E / W County _____
 Lot _____ Block _____ Tract No. _____ Subdivision Name _____
 Government Lot No. _____ COS No. _____
 Street or Road Address, including City, State & Zip Code of the Well _____

5. AFFIDAVIT

I affirm that statements appearing here are to the best of my knowledge true and correct. I also affirm I have possessory interest or the written consent of the person with the possessory interest in the property where the water is to be put to beneficial use.

Appropriator's Signature _____ Date _____

_____ Date _____

**INSTRUCTIONS
REPLACEMENT WELL NOTICE (FORM 634)**

For municipal wells that do not exceed 450 gpm or for all other wells that do not exceed 35 gpm and 10 ac-ft per year.

If your new well is located within the boundaries of a controlled groundwater area that restricts this type of change, the regional office will contact you to explain the filing requirements.

Questions: Your well can be considered a replacement well and you can file this form if:

- The old and new wells must be drawing water from the same groundwater aquifer.
- The flow rate used from the new well cannot exceed the maximum flow rate used from the old well.
- The new well must be used for the same purpose. For example, if the old well was used for one house and 100 cows, the new well must be used for those same amounts. If the new use is more than the old use, contact the Water Resources Regional Office to determine the correct filing requirements.
- The old well must have been properly abandoned. If a licensed well driller was used, the correct procedures will have been followed. If you plan to do the work, you must follow the abandonment guidelines found in the Administrative Rules of Montana at 36.21.670. These rules are available at the DNRC Website: (<http://www.dnrc.mt.gov/wrd/>).

Complete items 1 through 5 ONLY if you have determined this is the correct form to file.

1. Water Right Owner: Enter the complete name, mailing address, and phone numbers of the owner of the existing water right. If you own the existing water right, but it is not in your name, contact the Water Resources Regional Office for information on completing an Ownership Update Form.

2. Water Right Number: Enter the water right number of the old well that was replaced.
You must attach a copy of the filed water right.

If your well does not have a DNRC water right number, please read the following information:

Water rights for stock and domestic uses from groundwater sources (well or developed springs) were exempt from the general adjudication filing requirements for claims of existing water rights if they met either of the following criteria:

- A. The water was put to use prior to January 1, 1962, or
- B. The water was put to use between January 1, 1962 and July 1, 1973, and a notice was filed in the courthouse records.

If your old well meets one of the above criteria, complete this form **and** a 634 NFWP Addendum. The addendum can be obtained from the DNRC Website. <http://www.dnrc.mt.gov/wrd/>.

If your well does not meet these criteria, call the regional office serving your area.

3. Well Depths: Enter the well depths and static water levels for both the old and new wells.
You must attach a copy of the new well log and a copy of the old well log, if available.

4. Well Location: This is the actual location of the replacement (new) well.
You must attach a map showing the old and new well locations.

- Enter the approximate distance and the direction that the new well is located from the old well.
- Enter the land description for the location of the development. Describe the location to the nearest 10 acres if possible. Legal land descriptions may be obtained from the well log; the county records; or from the Montana Cadastral system at: <http://gis.doa.state.mt.us/cadastral/maps.html>
 - Subdivisions – In addition to the above description, enter the lot and block or tract number, subdivision name.
 - Government Lots – In addition to the land description, enter the government lot number.
 - Certificate of Survey - In addition to the land description, enter the survey number.
 - Street or Road Address – Enter the physical address of the development including city, state, and zip code.

FOR ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR FORMS, CONTACT THE REGIONAL OFFICE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR COUNTY.

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