

LAND USE

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**Township of Delaware**

**Appendix VIII**

**Nearby Well/Spring Owners –  
Notification Requirements and Procedures**

**Notification:**

1. Owners of existing wells and springs on lots located within 500 feet of a boundary of the lot in question shall be given an opportunity to have their wells/springs monitored during the aquifer test.
2. Such opportunity shall be given by the applicant by notice via certified mail and shall state the time and place of the aquifer test. A notice acceptable to the municipality is included in **Appendix VIII – Notice of Aquifer Test – Time and Place.**
3. The notice shall indicate that such existing well may be monitored, if agreed to by the well owner, provided that well is readily accessible. Such notice shall indicate that the existing well owner must respond within seven days of notice receipt and the applicant's responsibility is to monitor up to three wells on properties located within 500 feet of the boundaries of the Lot in Question.
4. The applicant shall provide a certificate of insurance for itself and all contractors utilized and pay all costs associated with the monitoring of any existing residential well.
5. Prior to monitoring, all buried wells must be raised to a minimum of 12 inches above grade to allow access and retrofitted with pitless well adapters etc. per N.J.A.C. 7:10-12.20 wellhead requirements.
6. All wells shall be chlorinated each time they are opened for service or monitoring, unless the owner specifically waives the requirement of chlorination in writing.
7. The costs of extending, restoring or replacing a well damaged as a result of testing shall be the responsibility of the applicant.
8. The applicant shall indemnify and hold the Township and its consultants and representatives harmless from any liability in connection with these testing requirements.

**Response:**

1. If the owner of a lot within 500 feet of a boundary of the lot in question decides to participate by agreeing to have his/her existing well monitored, such owner shall notify the applicant by certified mail.

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2. Such response shall be provided within seven days of receipt of the certified notice from the applicant.
3. If the applicant receives no response within the time provided, the response shall be deemed to be negative.
4. Protection of monitored wells and selection of wells for monitoring.
  - (a) All reasonable efforts must be made to protect the potability of water from the monitored well.
  - (b) In the case when more than three property owners within 500 feet of the boundaries of the lot in question decide to participate and to have their existing wells monitored, only three must be monitored.
  - (c) However, if any of the property owners requesting monitoring have wells completed to a depth less than 100 feet, these wells must also be monitored in addition to three other wells.
  - (d) A map depicting the location of all wells to be monitored and a list of all property owners within 500 feet of the boundaries of the lot in question that requested monitoring is to be submitted to the Board's hydrogeologist for review and approval prior to implementing the test.
  - (e) The observation wells on neighboring properties should be selected to assess whether water level drawdown impacts from the pumping well will extend beyond the boundaries of the lot in question in any direction.
  - (f) The Board reserves the right to retain a qualified hydrogeologist to review the proposed monitoring locations and to make recommendations to revise the locations to be monitored.