

**NORTHERN DELTA GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY**

**WELL PERMIT APPLICATION/DETERMINATION FOR  
GSP CONSISTENCY DETERMINATION WITH  
CALIFORNIA EXECUTIVE ORDER N-7-22 SECTION 9(a)**

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Well Permit Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ (Landowner)

County Well Permit Application Date: \_\_\_\_\_

County Well Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_ (Application)

\*\*\* Attach a complete copy of your County Well Permit Application to this form

Date of Request to NDGSA for Written Verification: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Fee (\$250 per well): \_\_\_\_\_ Paid: \_\_\_\_\_

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Well Location: \_\_\_\_\_ (APN and Address)

\*\*\* Attach a map showing the location of the parcel where the new well will be located, and property lines \*\*\*

- a. Would the well provide two acre-feet or more per year of groundwater for individual domestic users? **No Yes** [Individual domestic use wells providing less than two acre-feet per year are not subject to Executive Order N-7-22 section 9(a)]
- b. Would the well provide two acre-feet or more per year of groundwater for a use other than agriculture? **No Yes** [If yes, this Application/Checklist does not apply]
- c. If the well is an agricultural replacement well, are there any changes in the size and use of the well before and after the planned replacement? **No Yes** [If No, skip to next section]

Describe change \_\_\_\_\_

- d. If the well is an enlarged or new agricultural well:
  - How many acres will be irrigated? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Estimated acre feet of water to be applied to each acre each year? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Planned maximum flow rate per year? \_\_\_\_\_

[Applications for GSP consistency that propose groundwater extractions that exceed agronomic rates for the crops listed above will be reviewed by the NDGSA Board of Directors]

***Applicant understands, agrees and acknowledges all of the following:***

- 1. The Northern Delta Groundwater Sustainability Agency (NDGSA) is a Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) under the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (Act). The NDGSA has adopted a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (Plan) to manage groundwater in the Subbasin sustainably, consistent with the Act. The land where the Applicant's well is to be located is within the NDGSA's authority and jurisdiction for purposes of the Act.

2. The \_\_\_\_\_ Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) includes specific groundwater requirements through minimum thresholds and measurable objectives. Applicant agrees that use of groundwater with the well described herein will comply with these requirements.
3. The GSP does not currently include groundwater pumping restrictions or restrictions on drilling new wells, but reserves to the individual GSAs the authority to impose pumping restrictions in the future. The GSP may change in the future, and pumping restrictions may be imposed to comply with SGMA. Applicant acknowledges the NDGSA's authority to impose pumping restrictions consistent with the authority provided in SGMA.
4. Water Code Section 10726.4(b) provides that GSAs are not authorized to issue permits for the construction, modification, or abandonment of groundwater wells, except as authorized by a county with authority to issue those permits.
5. Water Code Section 10726.8(b) provides that GSAs do not have the authority make a binding determination of the water rights of any person or entity.
6. The Applicant will make the new well available for inspection and monitoring by the NDGSA upon reasonable notice.
7. For wells that include increased pumping capacity and/or are new, Applicant will provide an annual estimate to NDGSA of the groundwater use during the preceding water year (October 1 - September 30) by January 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.
8. The NDGSA's issuance of a written verification and the County's issuance of a well permit to Applicant does not guarantee the extraction of any specific amount of water now or in the future or any defined water level or water quality.
9. The NDGSA is not responsible for or otherwise liable for any costs, investments or payments related to any groundwater well permitted pursuant to this application, including pumping fees, extraction limits, costs related to well failure, well deepening, increased maintenance, replacement, or operational costs.
10. Applicant agrees to hold the NDGSA harmless and indemnify the NDGSA for any liability stemming from or related to the County issuing a well permit in response the Application or to the NDGSA issuing a written verification related to the well permit.

***By signing below, Applicant agrees the above terms shall be incorporated into the terms and conditions of any well permit issued by County pursuant to the Application and shall be binding on the property owner and run with the land.***

\_\_\_\_\_  
 APPLICANT

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Date

## WRITTEN VERIFICATION OF NDGSA ADMINISTRATOR

1. Based on the foregoing information and acknowledgements, the NDGSA issues a written consistency determination pursuant to Executive Order N-7-22 paragraph 9(a) for the subject well.
2. The NDGSA finds that the subject groundwater well falls within the groundwater use assumed in the GSP, which also includes projects and management actions, continual monitoring and 5-year updates, as well as a commitment to implement projects, management actions or pumping restrictions (if needed) required to achieve sustainability:
  - A. Groundwater extraction by the proposed well would not be inconsistent with any sustainable groundwater management program established in the GSP; and
  - B. Groundwater extraction by the proposed well would not decrease the likelihood of achieving a sustainability goal for the Subbasin.
3. This verification shall not be read as interfering with the authority of \_\_\_\_\_ County to approve, disapprove, or condition any groundwater well permit project pursuant to its permitting authority.

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Erik Ringelberg  
NDGSA Administrator

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Date