

News from the Water Resources Department's Well Construction and Compliance Section

ONLINE RULES CLASS NOW AVAILABLE

On June 19, 2013, the Well Constructor's Continuing Education Committee approved the Department's Online Well Construction Rules Course. The course, which is now available and is accessible from the Department's website, is worth either one or two rules credits, depending on how many you take. The charge for the course is \$40 per credit hour as required by Oregon Revised Statutes. A list of all approved online courses is located on the Department's website http://apps.wrd.state.or.us/apps/misc/wrd_notice_view/?notice_id=30. Contact Tracy Fox at Tracy.L.Fox@wrdd.state.or.us or (503) 986-0856, if you have questions about the Continuing Education Program.

DEWATERING WELL POINT SYSTEMS

Each well point system that includes a horizontal header with multiple screened vertical points are considered one dewatering well which requires one start card, one start card fee and one water supply well report. The length of each horizontal header is not at issue, unless there are multiple pumping points located on a horizontal header, then each pumping well point is considered one well. Special standards may be required for these horizontal header systems. Questions about dewatering wells should be directed to Kristopher Byrd at (503) 986-0851 or by e-mail at Kristopher.R.Byrd@wrdd.state.or.us



DOMESTIC WELL TESTING

According to the Oregon Health Authority, when selling real estate that includes a domestic well, property owners are required to test the water for arsenic, nitrate, and total coliform bacteria. Test results must then be reported within 90 days to the buyer and to Drinking Water Services after the seller receives the test results. Samples for the tests must be collected according to Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 333-061-0335, and then analyzed by an accredited laboratory as detailed in OAR 333-061-0330. Residential water quality testing results can be accessed from the Pacific Northwest Water Quality Data Exchange at <http://deq12.deq.state.or.us/pnwwqx/>. Information on how to retrieve data from the Exchange is provided in the Department of Environmental Quality's Residential Well Owners Water Quality Test Results fact sheet (pdf). Questions about the Domestic Well Testing Program should be directed to the Oregon Health Authority - Drinking Water Program at (971) 673-0405.



2012 WELL NUMBERS

91348 96846 98289 99453 100210...

The Department has recently completed a one page report that shows the well numbers for 2012. If you are interested in getting a copy of the 2012 report, contact Kristopher Byrd at (503) 986-0851 or by e-mail at Kristopher.R.Byrd@wrdd.state.or.us



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