



AgWRAP / ACSP Cooperator Acknowledgement

Water Supply Well / Stream Protection Well



Cooperator Name: _____

Date: _____

Phone: _____

Acres Irrigated or Affected: _____

County: _____

Type and Number of Livestock: _____

The following items provide important information regarding AgWRAP policies pertaining to Water Supply Well projects. The cooperator should read through each of the items and initial on the line to acknowledge that they have read and understand the information.

This form should be filled out with the assistance of local Soil and Water Conservation District staff and/or Technical Services Staff so that they may provide further explanation and answer any questions that arise.

_____ Division Approval must be obtained before work can begin on the installation of the BMP. Failure to wait until approval may result in the cancelation of the contract, including the cancelation of cost share funds.

_____ Pumps, solar pumps, and wells must have a qualifying statement that they will be used for agricultural use only.

_____ Installation of the well must include wellhead protection. The following measures should be taken where applicable:

- Divert all surface runoff, precipitation, and drainage away from the wellhead.
- Protect the wellhead and associated appurtenances from contamination or damage by wildlife, livestock, farm machinery, vehicle parking, or other harmful human activity.

_____ An adequate covering over the well head and pressure tank must be installed to prevent freezing.

_____ Cost share for pumps for wells includes all costs associated with installation including the cost of getting electricity to the pump and is based on actual cost. Outside of emergencies where the District can give permission, portable/temporary generators are not an allowable source of power for wells.

_____ The solar powered pump installation is limited to sites where there are site constraints, or it is cost prohibitive to provide electricity to the pump. The pump cost includes a submersible pump, photovoltaic panels, control box, support structure, pump cable, drop pipe, and fittings to make up plumbing at the pump.

_____ Permits are a cost-shareable component for this practice in counties where agricultural wells are not exempt from permit fees. A copy of the permit, receipt of the permit fee, and any supporting water quality reports associated with the permit are required to be kept in the district's contract file.

_____ Cooperators are responsible for obtaining and complying with all required permits and local requirements, including water use reporting and registration with DWR, if applicable.

_____ Cooperator is encouraged to install water conservation measures and effective livestock exclusion fencing from streams.

_____ Where there are already adequate water resources available under the control of the producer, backup wells are not cost shareable through AgWRAP. Public water supply is not considered under the control of the producer.

_____ Wells are allowed for operations served by public water systems if the well will reduce dependence on the public water system.

_____ Well repairs that bring unusable wells back into operation are cost shareable, including a pump if needed. Unusable wells are those that have structural failures that require repairs to access water.

_____ New wells and well repairs must be completed by a well contractor certified by the North Carolina Well Contractors Certification Commission.

_____ The “Wells for Livestock Watering Site Evaluation Sheet” and/or the “Wells for Irrigation Site Evaluation Sheet” shall be used as a minimum requirement for planning and design documentation.

_____ A Well Construction Record Form (GW-1) completed and signed by a well contractor certified by the North Carolina Well Contractors Certification Commission shall serve as adequate construction approval for wells.

_____ Proper documentation of the information provided by a Certified Well Contractor, on the Pump Installation Information Plate shall serve as adequate construction approval for the well pump.

_____ Design and construction approval for pumps, not installed by a Certified Well Contractor, must be granted by NRCS or SWCD staff with appropriate JAA, a Professional Engineer or technical specialist with Irrigation (I) designation.

_____ Excluding repairs authorized under the Cost Share Programs Repair policy; new pumps, replacement pumps, repairs to pumps, and pump components for existing wells that are in working order are not cost shareable.

_____ Where the Certified Well Contractor determines alternative casing is required by 15A NCAC Subchapter 02C Well Construction Standards the additional cost is eligible for cost share assistance.

_____ A well may be used as part of a system for irrigation. Cooperators may receive cost share assistance for a well or a well with an irrigation reservoir if needed to run equipment, the same cost share cap will apply.

_____ A method for distributing the water from the well must be available.

_____ Requests for payment may be approved once water is available. Multiple attempts to access water at the same location may be made at the cooperator’s discretion, and the total footage drilled may be requested (up to the program cap), if adequate water is accessed.

Cooperator Signature

I acknowledge by my signature below that I have read and understand the policies listed above.

PRINT NAME: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

Technical Representative Signature

I acknowledge by my signature below that I have reviewed the policies listed above with the cooperator thoroughly.

PRINT NAME: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____