

Return Address

FERRY COUNTY NON-POTABLE WATER STATEMENT

Section 63 of the Washington State Growth Management Act requires local Building Permit offices to require the applicant to show proof of potable water before a residential building permit can be issued. The Ferry County Commissioners and Planning Commission have amended the act and require applicants that will use a dug well (wells less than 20 feet deep) or those who choose to haul water to file a Non-Potable Water Statement with the Ferry County Auditor. The Washington State Department of Health does not consider dug wells or hauled water to be an adequate source of potable water due to the fact that dug wells are prone to surface contamination and hauled water is too difficult to verify the source. This statement will be recorded on the property title so any future owners will know that the water source is not approved by the State. The Ferry County Building Department strongly suggests that the water source be tested for lead, arsenic, nitrates and coliform and that the test results also be filed with the Ferry County Auditor. If the test results are filed with the Auditor it will show any prospective future buyers that even though the water source does not meet the State standards, it has been tested and meets the minimum requirements of Ferry County.

A Certificate of Occupancy will not be issued until a copy of this statement is returned to the Building Department. The copy must be stamped and recorded with the Ferry County Auditor.

PROPERTY OWNER _____ DATE _____

ADDRESS _____

(City) (State) (zip)

TAX PARCEL NUMBER _____ PHONE _____

PROPERTY DESCRIPTION _____

DEPTH OF WELL _____

WATER SOURCE (circle) dug well? surface spring? hauling?

QUANTITY _____ gallons per minute as determined by:

(circle) pump test? well log? N/A, hauling

QUALITY Please complete the information below and provide a copy of the lab test results for verification, water tests must have been made within the last 2 years to be valid.

TEST	RESULT	NAME OF LAB	DATE
Coliform	_____	_____	_____
Nitrate	_____	_____	_____
Lead	_____	_____	_____
Arsenic	_____	_____	_____

(test results are not required with a non-potable water statement, however we do recommend that the water be tested for your own knowledge)

I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION ON THIS APPLICATION IS CORRECT AND HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE: That the above information will be used by the Building Department solely for the purpose of reviewing the adequacy of the water system for issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy. In doing so the Building Department does not provide any warranty, either expressed or implied, as to the accuracy of the information.

APPLICANTS NAME _____ DATE _____
(please print)

APPLICANTS SIGNATURE _____

PLEASE NOTE: Conditions may change which can affect the quantity and/or quality of the water in the future. Test results for the parameters on this form are for screening purposes only and do not imply that the water meets the quality standards for all potential contaminants. If you have other concerns, you may check with the Building Department about sampling and testing for specific contaminants. Acceptance of this information by the Building Department does not constitute an operational survey and may not be used for the purpose of securing a loan or other real estate transactions.

Suggestions: (advisory only)

Do not locate dug wells in areas where surface water may pond or flow around the well.
A radius of 100 feet around your well should be under your ownership to prevent contamination from neighboring property.

The following is a partial list of testing agencies, any lab that is certified by the Washington State Department of Health may perform the tests. (most labs will provide sample bottles for testing, contact the lab of your choice for details)

Washington State Lab	Seattle	(206)	361-2908
Anatek Labs, Inc.	Spokane	(509)	838-3999
AAA Superior Lab	Cheney	(509)	235-9390