



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

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May 8, 2013

Mr. Ken Thonney
708 Newell Street
Walla Walla, Washington 99362

Re: Application for Change under Ground Water Certificate No. 5273-A

Dear Mr. Thonney:

In response to your request, you are hereby granted an extension to complete construction for the reason(s) below:

According to your request, you will need additional time put water to complete construction due to the poor current economic situation. In addition, the well proposed for use as been discovered to produce insufficient quantities of water and will need to be reconstructed or replaced. It appears that minimal progress has been made on this project. Be advised that the State Water Code requires that your project be pursued with diligence and does not allow, through the permitting process, the reservation of water for use at an unspecified time in the future. It is important that construction of your project be completed within the time prescribed in the authorization. Your requested extension is a reasonable period of time. We will grant you an additional four years to complete construction of the project. If additional time is required beyond this extension, your project will be reevaluated at that time for compliance with due diligence.

The new deadline to submit your *Construction Notice* is **May 1, 2017**.

All wells constructed in the state must meet the construction requirements of WAC 173-160 titled "Minimum Standards for the Construction and Maintenance of Wells" and RCW 18.104 titled "Water Well Construction". Any well which is unusable, abandoned, or whose use has been permanently discontinued, or which is in such disrepair that its continued use is impractical or is an environmental, safety or public health hazard must be decommissioned.

All wells must be tagged with a Department of Ecology unique well identification number. If you have an existing well and it does not have a tag, please contact the well-drilling coordinator at the regional Department of Ecology office issuing this decision. This tag must remain attached to the well. If you are required to submit water measuring reports, reference this tag number.

Installation and maintenance of an access port as described in WAC 173-160- 291(3) is required.



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YOUR RIGHT TO APPEAL

You have a right to appeal this action to the Pollution Control Hearing Board (PCHB) within 30 days of the date of receipt of this document. The appeal process is governed by Chapter 43.21B RCW and Chapter 371-08 WAC. "Date of receipt" is defined in RCW 43.21B.001(2).

To appeal, you must do the following within 30 days of the date of receipt of this document:

- File your appeal and a copy of this document with the PCHB (see addresses below). Filing means actual receipt by the PCHB during regular business hours.
- Serve a copy of your appeal and this document on Ecology in paper form - by mail or in person. (See addresses below.) Email is not accepted.

You must also comply with other applicable requirements in Chapter 43.21B RCW and Chapter 371-08 WAC.

Street Addresses	Mailing Addresses
Department of Ecology Attn: Appeals Processing Desk 300 Desmond Drive SE Lacey, WA 98503	Department of Ecology Attn: Appeals Processing Desk PO Box 47608 Olympia, WA 98504-7608
Pollution Control Hearings Board 1111 Israel Road SW Suite 301 Tumwater, WA 98501	Pollution Control Hearings Board PO Box 40903 Olympia, WA 98504-0903

For additional information visit the Environmental Hearings Office Website:
<http://www.eho.wa.gov>. To find laws and agency rules visit the Washington State Legislature Website: <http://www1.leg.wa.gov/CodeReviser>.

If you have any questions, please contact Dan Tolleson at 509-329-3526.

Sincerely,



Keith L. Stoffel
Section Manager
Water Resources Program
Eastern Regional Office

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Enclosures: *Construction Notice*
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