



White Earth Reservation Division of Natural Resources High-Capacity Water Appropriation Permit Application



Warning: ALL information and supporting documents submitted as part of this application become public information. Omission to any data request will delay the processing of your application and may result in its denial.

Who Applies: Any individual, agency, corporation, or entity appropriating beyond 10,000 gallons/day and/or 1 million gallons/year must obtain a Water Appropriation Permit from the White Earth Department of Natural Resources as required by Resolution No. 057-23-017, as Amended by resolution No. 057-24-030: White Earth Reservation Groundwater and Surface Water Protection Ordinance.

Proceeding without a permit: WEDNR may take appropriate enforcement action against any Landowner or Operator in violation of White Earth Reservation Business Committee Resolution No. 057-23-017, as Amended by Resolution No. 057-24-030.

Information from the White Earth Reservation Groundwater and Surface water Protection Ordinance Resolution No. 057-23-017, As Amended by Resolution No. 057-24-030

-Minimum Standards of Operation

Sustainable Yield: Operations, when evaluated individually or cumulatively, shall not exceed the sustainable yield of an aquifer. Sustainable yield means the rate an aquifer can be pumped on a long-term basis without adverse consequences to aquifers, groundwater, surface water, aquatic resources, water-dependent resources or human health and welfare.

Standards Regarding Monitoring: Operators shall conduct all monitoring and testing necessary to comply with this ordinance.

- The Permit Review Process

Additional Information: The WEDNR may request a permit applicant to submit additional information if the WEDNR determines that the application is incomplete or fails to provide sufficient information to enable the WEDNR to determine whether a proposed high-capacity well or high-capacity pump meets the standards of this ordinance.

Permit Review: If no additional information is deemed necessary, the WEDNR shall proceed to review a Permit application to determine whether the proposed high-capacity well or high-capacity pump meets the standards of this ordinance.

Decision on Permit: After receipt of a complete Permit application, including ALL necessary additional information and appropriate fees, the WEDNR shall make findings of fact and either deny or grant the permit. A permit grant may include conditions such as rate limitations, pumping timing, or duration restrictions, limits on amount of water withdrawn during a given period, apportionment among Permit Holders in a geographic area and monitoring requirements. WEDNR shall provide written notice for the applicant.

-Permit Renewal

Written Request: The operator shall make a written request (in the form of a permit application) to the WEDNR for a renewal of a permit no later than six (6) months prior to the expiration of the permit.

Contents of Permit Renewal Application: The written request for Permit renewal shall incorporate by reference the annual report from the previous calendar. The WEDNR may request a Permit renewal applicant to submit additional information if the WEDNR determines that the Permit renewal application is incomplete or fails to provide sufficient information to enable the WEDNR to determine whether a proposed high-capacity well or high-capacity pump meets the standards of this ordinance.

PART I: Applicant Information

If applicant is an entity (company, government entity, partnership, etc.), an authorized contact person **must** be identified. If the applicant is using an agent (consultant, lawyer, or other third party) and has authorized them to act on their behalf, the agent's contact information must also be provided.

Applicant/Landowner Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State, Zip code: _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Business Name (if applicable): _____

Tribal Affiliation (please provide enrollment number if applicable): _____

Authorized Agent: _____ Agent Phone: _____

Additional Applicant Information (if needed)

Authorized Contact (Operator or Lessee) _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State, Zip code: _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Business Name: (if applicable) _____

PART II: Site Information

Physical Address: _____

Legal Description (section, township, range): _____

City: _____ County: _____

Parcel ID: _____ Latitude and Longitude (decimal degrees): _____

Approximate size of site (acres) or if a linear project, length (feet): _____

☐ **Aerial Photo** (An aerial photo of the proposed operation at a scale of not less than 1-inch equals 660 feet.) *Additional photos or photos at a different scale may be required if necessary to discern and assess potential environmental impacts associated with the proposed appropriation.

***Must show the location of the well or pump to be used.**

PART III: Operations Plan

What is purpose or nature of the request for the proposed water appropriation?

What is the proposed appropriation volume in thousands of gallons per day: _____

What is the proposed appropriation volume in millions of gallons per year: _____

Will your water use be consistent throughout the entire year? (Circle one) Yes No

If not, what months will you use water? _____

How much water will you use each month? _____

Date of proposed commencement of the activity: Start Date: _____

Date of completion or cessation of the activity: End Date: _____

If appropriation is for irrigation, will fertilizer be applied? (Circle one) Yes No

If applicable, please list the fertilizer. _____

(*Please note: White Earth Nation prohibits the application of pesticides by irrigation, see the pesticide and Chemical Code Section 300.05 Subd. 22.)

Do you have a permit from MN Department of Agriculture with an effective anti-siphon device or check valve?

(*See Pesticide and Chemical Code Section 300.05 Subd. 22.) (Circle one) Yes No

Have you received approval from WEDNR pesticide coordinator for the antisiphon device or check valve?

(Circle one) Yes No

Number of animals by type and growth stage (*if applicable):

Animal (1) Type _____

Animal (1) Number, Size _____

Animal (2) Type _____

Animal (2) Number, Size _____

Animal (3) Type _____

Animal (3) Number, Size _____

Installation

What is the maximum pumping rate for this well or pump (in GPM)? _____

What is the requested pumping rate for this well or pump (in GPM)? _____

What method will be used to measure water usage to report to WEDNR?

What equipment will be used to monitor and report annual pumping volumes to WEDNR?

Applicant Signature

☐ Check here if you completed or have a permit through the State of Minnesota and attach that permit.

*WEDNR has determined that initial review of the permit application will cost \$150, and that WEDNR will notify applicants if it determines that additional review is necessary, along with any appropriate additional fees to complete that review.

*Full payment to be received before review per application.

By signature below, I attest that the information in this application is complete and accurate. I further attest that I possess the authority to undertake the work described herein.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

I hereby authorize _____ to act on my behalf as my agent in the processing of this application and to furnish, upon request, supplemental information in support of this application.

***** This is NOT a Permit. *****

Return application & all supporting documents
(choose one)

In person to:

**White Earth Natural Resources Permit Office
102 3rd Street NE.
Mahnomen, MN 56557**

By mail to:

**White Earth Division of Natural Resources
PO BOX 393
Mahnomen, MN 56557**

Electronically to:

Permitoffice@whiteearth-nsn.gov

Required Signatures

(*For Office Use Only)

Environmental & Permitting Manager: Chris Londo

White Earth Reservation Business Committee

Division of Natural Resources

Email: Chris.Londo@whiteearth-nsn.gov

Phone number: 218-935-3823

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Hydrologist: Kellen McArthur

White Earth Reservation Business Committee

Division of Natural Resources

Email: kellen.mcarthur@whiteearth-nsn.gov

Phone number: 218-935-3024

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Application Status & Date (Office Use Only)

Receipt #: