

Water Well Site Development Permit Review Process

Town requirements for drilling a water well:

- Obtain a water well permit from San Mateo County Environmental Health.
- A Site Development Permit with the Town must be applied for once the well permit from the County has been obtained.
- Wells may not be placed in the building, septic, or creek setback areas.
- Wells may not be located within an unstable geologic zone (verify the soils categories on the property with Town staff) as identified on the Town's Geologic Movement Potential Map.

For water well applications, the following is required for Town review:

Once the well permit has been obtained from the County, apply for a Site Development Permit with the Town. The submittal must include:

- Site Development Permit application
- Statement of Understanding
- Digital site plan showing the proposed location of the well
- Digital elevation plan sheet showing details of what the well will look like on/above the ground
- Digital construction staging, tree protection, erosion control, and access plans
- 1 copy of the permit granted by San Mateo County
- 1 check for Town application fees

Review and Approval:

- Staff will review the application and verify that the location of the proposed well is not within the property's building or creek setbacks and is within a geologically stable soils category.
- If proposal is compliant, an approval letter will be issued with the approved Job Copy of the plans.
- Note that this permit will not include any proposed tanks or other equipment. This is not a building permit or electrical permit. It is solely a permit to drill the well.