



County of Sacramento

December 2, 2021

To: C-57 Contractors (Well Contractors),
Environmental Consultants,
Building & Planning Departments,
EMD Wells Website (<https://emd.saccounty.net/EC/Pages/Wells.aspx>)

**SUBJECT: DRYWELLS, DRYWELL PROJECTS, INSTALLATION, AND
GROUNDWATER RECHARGING PROJECTS RELATED TO DRYWELLS
ARE NOT PERMITTED.**

This "Compliance Bulletin" is being provided to remind members of our regulated community that drywells and drywell installations are not allowed in Sacramento County.

California Water Resources Control Board has provided guidelines regarding drywells. Reference: California Drywell Research and Recommendations, Contract Number: 17-083-250, March 31, 2020. This document represents guidance only. Sacramento County Code does not allow for construction or permitting of drywells in Sacramento County.

Installation or operation of drywells may result in penalties of up to \$10,000 for every day the property owner is out of compliance. Property owners are welcome to explore alternatives that do not include the installation and implementation of drywells or drywell systems designed to inject water into the ground.

If you have any questions, please contact Megan Floyd at (916) 591-0082 (or FloydM@saccounty.net).

Sincerely,

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