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WELL SETBACKS

All wells must be located an adequate horizontal distance from known or potential sources of pollution or contamination, as specified in the following table:

Pollution Source	Setback
Any sewer line (sanitary, industrial, or storm; main or lateral)	50 feet
Watertight septic tank	100 feet
Leach lines	100 feet
Deep trench	100 feet
Leaching pit	150 feet
Stream, ditch, drainage course	50 feet
Animal/fowl enclosure	100 feet
Pond or lake	50 feet
Hazardous materials tank	150 feet

Lesser separation distances may be approved by the Sacramento County Environmental Management Department on a case-by-case basis where physical conditions preclude compliance with the specified minimum separation distances and where special means of protection are provided.

All wells shall be located an adequate distance from buildings and other structures to allow access for well modification, maintenance, repair, and destruction, unless otherwise approved by the Sacramento County Environmental Management Department.