



What to Know About Water for Your Colorado Home

AN FAQ FOR HOME BUYERS AND REAL ESTATE AGENTS

DOES THE HOME NEED A NEW WELL?

Information on obtaining a well permit is available on our [well permitting webpage](#).

View [lists of licensed well contractors](#) for well drilling and pump installation.

Certain properties may not qualify for a well permit, and those that do may be limited to in-house use only. For more information, refer to the [Beginner's Guide to Well Permits](#).

This [Divisions and Water Districts map](#) shows the locations of Denver Basin aquifers and Designated Basins, where specific regulations apply.

DOES THE HOME HAVE AN EXISTING WELL?

Obtain a copy of the well permit and review the allowed uses of the water listed. Not all "domestic" wells allow for the same uses of water.

To find a copy of a well permit, use the [Permit Search Tool User Guide](#).

For information on testing the water quality and quantity of a well, we recommend visiting [wellowner.org](#).

Homebuyers with wells, or their closing agent, must update their contact information with DWR:

- [Form for homeowners/well owners or well owner's attorney/agent](#)
- [Title Companies - change of owner name/contact information](#)
 - Title Company new employee registration: Complete the [Title Company Request Form](#)

Groundwater questions: 303-866-3587 or use the [AskDWR form](#)

DOES THE HOME NEED TO TAP INTO A CENTRAL WATER SYSTEM?

Water taps for new construction can be expensive. Contact the water supplier for information. Water and Sanitation Districts are registered with [Colorado's Department of Local Affairs](#).

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Wondering about water rights on your property? They are usually conveyed through deed, stock certificate or other legal documents. Research deeds at the county clerk's office. A ditch or reservoir company may have information on stock or share ownership, and the yield of those water rights. A property owner is not entitled to use of the ditch or stream on their property without a water right. Other people may have a right to use the water flowing through your property and may also have a right to access and maintain water infrastructure on your property.