

BULK WATER/CISTERN POLICY

One of the submittal requirements for application for a building permit is evidence of a potable water supply to the property. Typically this evidence is provide in the form of a water tap contract or cent water bill from a public entity or a well drilling permit from the Colorado State Division of Water Resources or evidence of an existing well. In some rare cases, however, none of the above options are practicable and so, under certain circumstances, a cistern may be accepted as a primary water supply.

A cistern as a primary water supply will only be permitted on parcels of land which were legally created prior to June 1st, 1972 and on parcels which are thirty-five (35) acres or larger. A cistern as a primary water supply will only be permitted after all other options for water have been exhausted without success. If you are proposing a cistern as your primary water source, it will be necessary for you to provide the following documentation to the building department:

1. A written disapproval of a well permit application from the Colorado State Division of Water Resources or a written statement from a licensed water well driller indicating a dry well. The written statement from the driller must include a copy of the driller's log of the well.
2. A contract or written statement from a bulk water supplier that bulk water is available for sale to you.
3. An executed form letter concerning the use of bulk water and a cistern. The form letter may be obtained, signed, and notarized at the Building Department.

Fremont County provides no assurance or representation that the use of bulk water and a cistern will be an approved or acceptable long-term source of potable water.

There is no guarantee that bulk water will always be available for sale and Fremont County has no authority or jurisdiction whatsoever over water suppliers or their decision to sell water in bulk to the general public.

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Fremont County Environmental Health Bulk Water/Cistern System Letter

RE: _____
(Proposed Construction Address)

To Whom It May Concern,

I, _____, being the owner of the property located at:

(Last Name, First Name, Middle Initial)

_____, do hereby affirm that: (check one)
(Complete Street Address City State and Zip Code)

- There is currently a bulk water/cistern system located on the afore mentioned property which has been utilized as a primary water source for an existing dwelling since (year) _____; or
- Documentation is attached as evidence that all other options for permanent water supply have been exhausted and that afore mentioned property was legally created prior to June 1, 1972 or is thirty five (35) acres or larger.

I understand that Fremont County provides no assurance or representation that the use of bulk water and a cistern will be an approved or acceptable long term source of potable water.

I further understand that there is no guarantee that bulk water will always be available for sale and Fremont County has no authority or jurisdiction whatsoever over water suppliers or their decision to sell water in bulk to the general public.

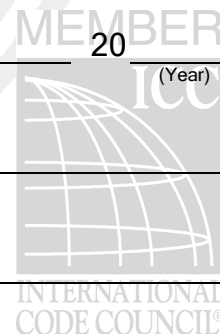
Signature: _____ Date: _____

Signed this: _____ Day of: _____ 20____
(Month) (Date) (Year)

By (Please Print): _____
(Notary Public's Printed Name)

My commission expires: _____

Notary signature: _____



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