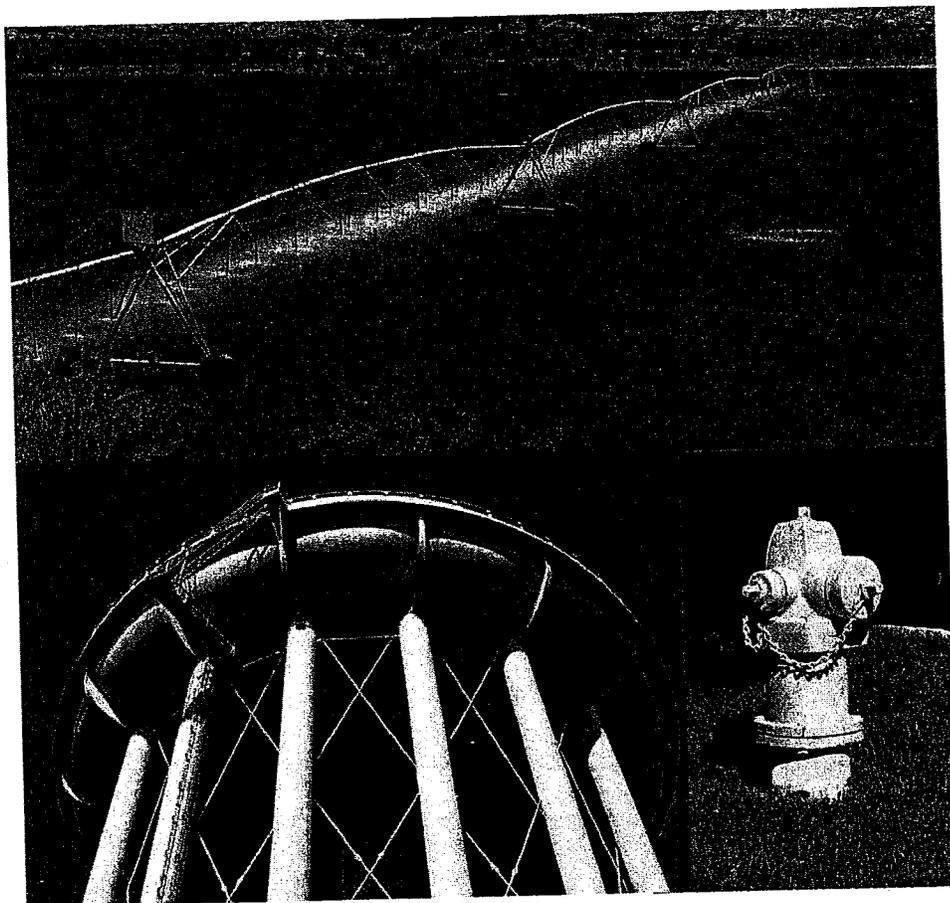


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GOVERNING THE APPROPRIATION AND USE OF  
GROUND WATER IN NEW MEXICO**

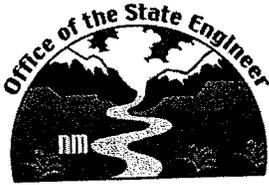


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The revised rules and regulations set forth here-in-after are effective as of November 1, 1966 and all previous underground water rules and regulations, and order Nos. 30, 34, 39, 40, 47, 49, 50, 59, 63, 64, 67, 69, 70, 72, 73, 74, 79, 86, 87, and 100, promulgated by the New Mexico State Engineer, are hereby rescinded and superseded by the rules and regulations adopted herein.

These rules and regulations are adopted pursuant to the authority of Sections 72-2-8, 72-2-12, and 72-13-4 New Mexico Statutes Annotated 1978 [1985 Repl. Pamp.], and are formulated for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the statutes governing underground waters and describing the present extent of all declared underground water basins in New Mexico. Wells may be drilled and ground waters appropriated outside of the boundaries of the declared underground water basins for beneficial use within the state without the appropriator making application to the State Engineer, subject only to prior and existing rights within such areas. Any person intending to withdraw water from an underground source and transport for use outside the state shall apply to the State Engineer for a permit to do so.

Throughout these rules and regulations, unless otherwise indicated, references made to "Section" numbers is to sections of the New Mexico Statutes Annotated, 1978 [1985 Replacement Pamphlet], and reference to "Article" numbers is to these rules and regulations. The term "person" shall include any individual, firm or corporation or any other entity.

Changes in the 1991 edition of these Rules and Regulations are as follows: 1) the addition of Article 1-18, metering requirements for groundwater withdrawals; 2) the extensions of a) the Hondo Underground Water Basin; b) the Penasco Underground Water Basin; c) the Carlsbad Underground Water Basin; d) the Roswell Underground Water Basin; e) the Fort Summer Underground Water Basin; f) the Upper Pecos Underground Water Basin; g) the Estancia Underground Water Basin; and h) the Gallup Underground Water Basin.

The deletion in Article 6 of the fee for the filing of a change of ownership of a water right is in accordance with the Dual Recording

Act which became effective June 14, 1991. Section 72-1-2.1 N.M.S.A. states in part, "In the event of any changes of ownership of a water right whether by sale, gift or any other type of conveyance affecting the title to the water right that has been permitted or licensed by the state engineer's office, has been declared with the state engineer's office, or has been adjudicated and is evidenced by a subfile order, partial final decree, final decree or any other court order, the new owner of the water right shall file a state engineer change of ownership form with the clerk of the county or counties in which the water right is located and the clerk shall forward an endorsed copy to the state engineer's office for filing in its records." The application of the law extends to the acquisition of all water rights on record with the State Engineer, including water rights for domestic or livestock watering wells, and water rights appurtenant to land. Copies of the forms and information on how to complete them are available from the State Engineer main office in Santa Fe and the district offices in Albuquerque, Roswell, Deming, Las Cruces and suboffice in Aztec.

Article 4 was repealed on August 31, 2005. Revised rules on Well Driller Licensing; Construction, Repair and Plugging of wells are now under part 19.27.4 of the New Mexico Administrative Code.

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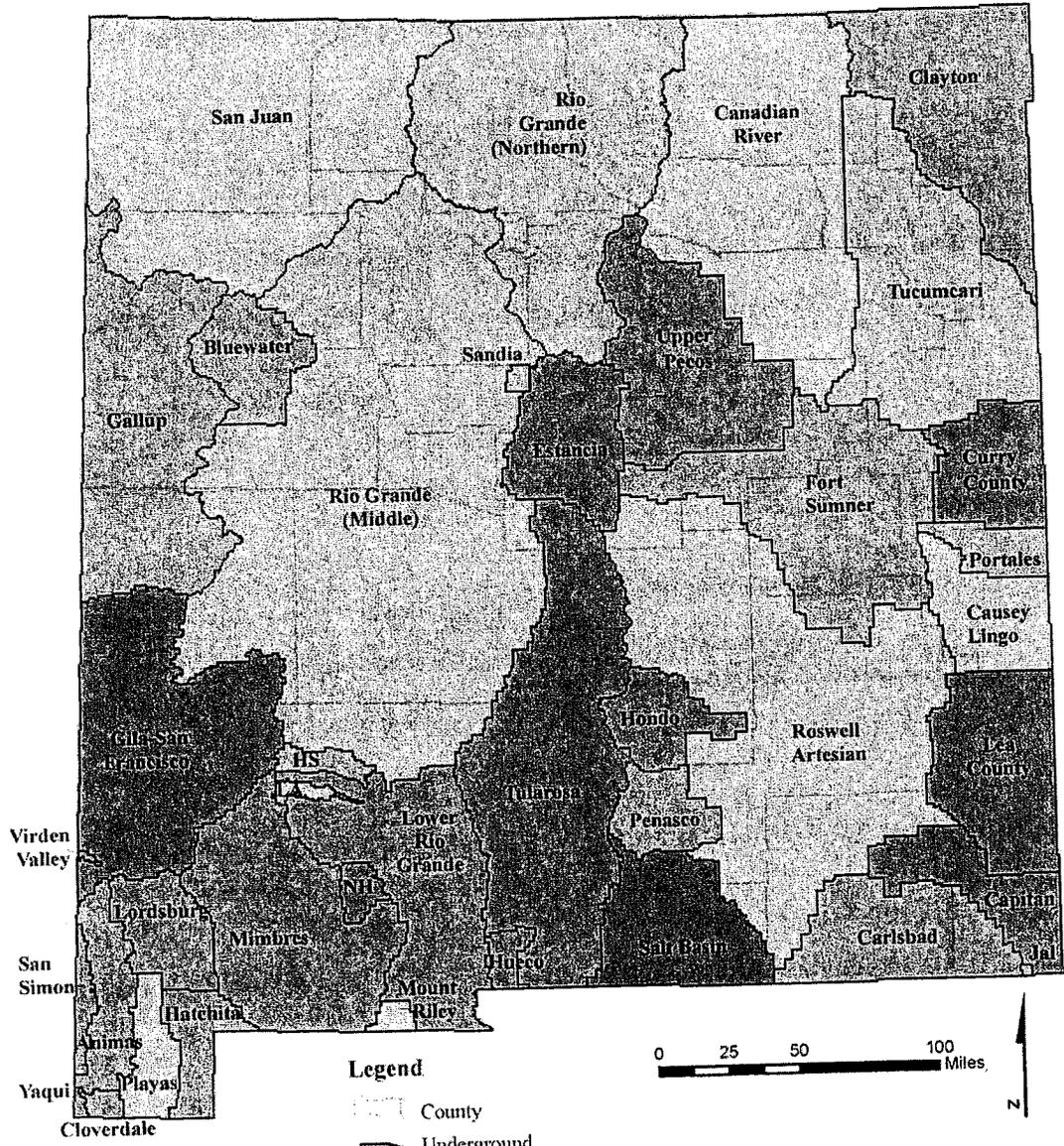
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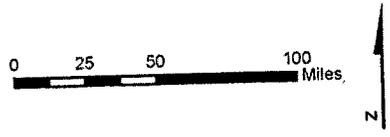
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# New Mexico Office of the State Engineer Underground Water Basins in New Mexico

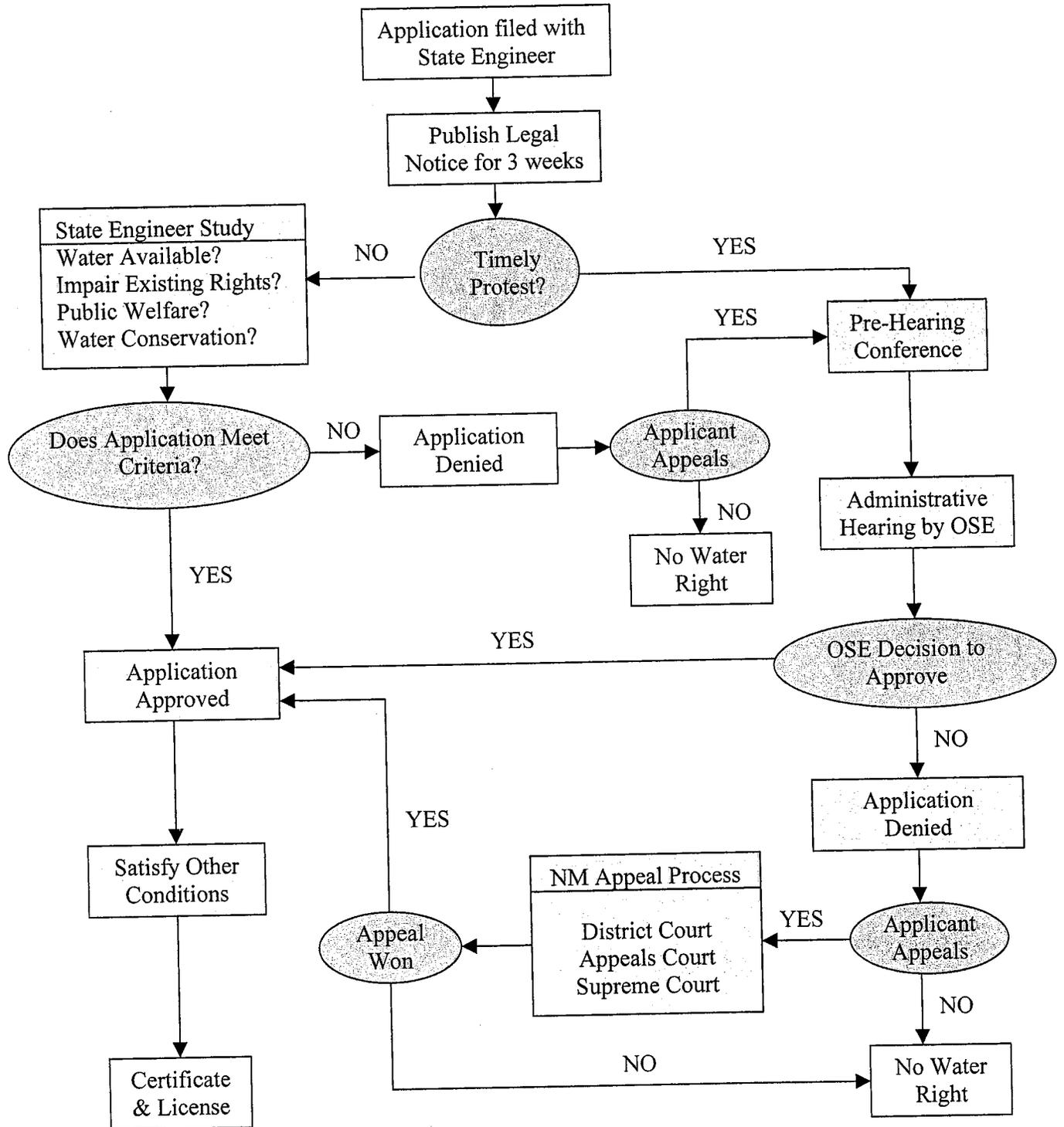


- Legend**
- County
  - Underground Water Basins
  - HS - Hot Springs Artesian
  - LA - Las Animas Creek
  - Nutt-Hockett



Underground Water Basins Map is based on the Bureau of Land Management Geographic Coordinate Data Base (GCDB) coordinate data ([www.blm.gov/gcdb/](http://www.blm.gov/gcdb/))  
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# WATER RIGHT APPLICATION FLOW CHART



**ARTICLE 1**  
**DECLARATION OF EXISTING WATER RIGHTS;**  
**INITIATION OF WATER RIGHTS**

1-1. **DECLARATIONS, AFFIDAVITS - FILING.** If declarations of existing water rights are filed as permitted by Section 72-12-5, they shall be prepared in triplicate on forms furnished by the State Engineer and shall be accompanied by the proper filing fee (Article 6-1). Declarations may also be accompanied by affidavits of persons having personal knowledge of the history of the works or by other evidence tending to substantiate the claims and by copies of well logs, if available. If such supporting documents are filed in the State Engineer Office, they will be filed together with the declaration.

1-2. **APPLICATIONS TO APPROPRIATE - PRIORITY.** Where the well is to be drilled within the boundaries of a declared underground water basin (Article 7) application to appropriate shall be filed in triplicate on forms provided by the State Engineer accompanied by the proper filing fee (Article 6-1). The date of receipt of an application by the State Engineer or his authorized representative shall be endorsed thereon. The date of filing establishes the original priority date of any application, subject to the acceptance of the application and the issuance of a permit by the State Engineer and the timely application of water to beneficial use.

1-3. **AMOUNT OF WATER - LIMITATIONS.** The application and permit limit the nature and extent of the water right. A permit may be granted for an amount less than that asked for in the application. In any event, the annual amount of the appropriation permitted under one application will be limited to the annual amount that can reasonably be expected to be produced and applied to beneficial use within a reasonable time from a single well, mine facility or other works constructed at the point, in the manner and for the purpose set forth in the application.

Municipalities, counties and public utilities supplying water to municipalities or counties shall be allowed a water use planning period not to exceed forty-years, and water rights for municipalities, counties and public utilities supplying water to such municipalities or counties shall be based upon a water development plan the implementation of which shall not exceed a forty-year period from the date of the application for an appropriation or a change in place or purpose of use pursuant to a water development plan or for preservation of a municipal or county water supply for reasonably projected additional needs within forty years (Section 72-1-9).

1-4. **FORM OF APPLICATION - CORRECTIONS.** Before acceptance by the State Engineer, applications tendered must conform to the requirements of the New Mexico Statutes, and the Rules & Regulations of the State Engineer. The description of the well location shall be to the nearest forty (40) acre subdivision, unless otherwise prescribed by the State Engineer. Applications which are defective as to form or fail to comply with the rules and regulations shall be returned promptly to the applicant with a statement of the changes required. If the changes are made and the application filed with the State Engineer within thirty (30) days after the applicant has been notified of the changes required, the application shall be processed with a priority date the same as the original filing date. When a corrected application is filed after the time allowed, it shall be treated in all respects as an original application received on the date of its refileing.

1-5. PUBLICATION. Upon receipt of an acceptable application the State Engineer shall cause to be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the well will be located, at least once a week for three consecutive weeks, a notice that the application has been filed. Cost of publication shall be borne by the applicant who shall also see that the newspaper's affidavit of publication is filed with the State Engineer within sixty (60) days from date of issuance of the notice for publication. If the application is for a new appropriation, failure to file affidavit of publication within the time allowed shall cause postponement of the priority date of the application to the date of receipt of such proof in proper form. In the case of any other type of application, failure to file proofs within the time allowed shall cause the application to be cancelled. The issuance of a notice for publication does not in any way indicate favorable action on the application by the State Engineer.

1-6. RE-ADVERTISEMENTS - EXPENSES. The completeness and accuracy of the notice for publication is the responsibility of the applicant. If there are substantive errors in the published notice, it shall be re-advertised at the expense of the applicant.

1-7. PROTEST - FILING, ANSWER. Any person objecting that the granting of an application will impair the objector's water right shall have standing to file objections or protests. Any person objecting that the granting of the application will be contrary to the conservation of water within the state or detrimental to the public welfare of the state and showing that the objector will be substantially and specifically affected by the granting of the application shall have standing to file objections or protests. Provided however, that the state of New Mexico or any of its branches, agencies, departments, boards, instrumentalities or institutions, and all political subdivisions of the state and their agencies, instrumentalities and institutions shall have standing to file objections or protests. The objection or protest shall set forth specific reasons why the application should not be approved and must be filed in triplicate with the State Engineer not later than ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of the notice referred to in Article 1-5. The State Engineer shall mail one copy of the objection or protest to the applicant. The applicant may file with the State Engineer, in triplicate, answers to such objection or protest. The State Engineer shall furnish all objectors or protestants with a copy thereof by mail.

1-7.1. PENDING APPLICATIONS. For applications to appropriate ground water pending before the State Engineer for which the legal notice did not advise the public that a protest could be filed on the basis that the application would be contrary to conservation of water within the state or would be detrimental to the public welfare of the state, any person may request to intervene on these grounds; provided that:

- a. if the application is not protested, the request to intervene has been filed prior to a decision on the application by the State Engineer; or
- b. if the application is protested, the request to intervene has been filed a reasonable time before the initial administrative conference or hearing on the application.

1-8. HEARINGS. In the event an application is protested, hearings shall be conducted pursuant to the provisions of Article 3.

1-9. CANCELLATION. Upon failure of the applicant to comply with the provisions of the permit within the time specified in such permit or to secure an extension of time within which to do so, the State Engineer shall cancel the permit.

1-10. CONSTRUCTION OF WELL. The well shall be constructed in full compliance with the terms of the permit and the rules and regulations of the State Engineer.

1-11. TRANSPORTATION. The water from any artesian well shall not be conducted through any ditch, channel or conduit such that more than twenty percent (20%) of the waters are lost between the point of appropriation and the point of beneficial use.

1-12. STORAGE. Water from artesian or shallow ground water sources may be stored in reservoirs or ponds to facilitate and improve irrigation practices. The capacity of such reservoirs shall be so limited that they will store the continuous flow of a well producing more than three hundred (300) gallons of water per minute for no more than forty-eight (48) hours and the flow of a well producing three hundred (300) gallons of water per minute or less for no more than ninety-six (96) hours. Any reservoir or pond that is not built on land having water rights appurtenant thereto shall be constructed only after a permit is obtained from the State Engineer.

1-13. REQUIREMENTS AFTER COMPLETION OF WELL. As soon as practicable after completing the well and the application of water to the intended use pursuant to the permit, the applicant shall have prepared and file a "Final Inspection and Report" in triplicate on forms provided by the State Engineer. The final report shall be accompanied by a plat prepared in accordance with Article 5. The final inspection and report shall be prepared by a Registered Professional Engineer and Land Surveyor or by a Registered Land Surveyor as specified by the State Engineer.

1-14. CERTIFICATE AND LICENSE. Upon receipt of "Final Inspection and Report" together with attachments thereto required by Article 1-13, the State Engineer shall issue a "Certificate and License to Appropriate".

REPEAL NOTICE: The following sub-articles were repealed on August 15, 2006: Article 1-15, Applications Not Requiring Publication of a Notice; 1-15.1, Qualified Applicant; 1-15.2, Amount of Water; 1-15.3, Purpose of Use; 1-15.4, Multiple Residential Use; 1-15.5, Well to be Drilled for Buildings or Dwelling Units Constructed For Sale; 1-15.7, Permits Requiring Installation of a Meter; 1-15.8, Limitations Under Court Decrees; and Article 1-16, Retention of Old Well for Domestic Use. Revised rules on the use of public underground waters for household or other domestic use in accordance with Section 72-12-1.1 NMSA are now under part 19.27.5 of the New Mexico Administrative Code.

1-15.6. USES FOR PERIODS NOT TO EXCEED ONE YEAR - AMOUNT. Permits may be granted in an amount not to exceed three acre-feet of water for a definite period not to exceed one year for the following uses under paragraph three of Section 72-12-1 if the State Engineer finds that the proposed use will not permanently impair any existing water right:

- a. prospecting;
- b. mining;
- c. construction of public works;
- d. construction of highways and roads;
- e. drilling operations designed to discover or develop the natural mineral resources.

1-15.6.1. One permit may be granted in any year to the same applicant for each proposed use set forth above.

1-15.6.2. More than one applicant may take water from a well for each proposed use set forth above.

1-15.6.3. An applicant may apply in successive years for a new one year duration permit in an existing well or a new well for each proposed use set forth above.

1-15.6.4. Applications to appropriate water will not be granted in declared underground water basins that are stream related, if the State Engineer finds that the appropriation will take 0.1 acre-foot or more from a fully appropriated stream within the year the permit may be exercised.

1-15.6.5. Subsequent applications to appropriate water from the same well will not be granted if the State Engineer finds that the accumulated effects of the proposed appropriation and prior appropriations will take 0.25 acre-foot or more from a stream within the year of the proposed appropriation.

## 1-17. APPLICATIONS FOR POLLUTION PLUME CONTROL WELLS AND POLLUTION RECOVERY WELLS.

1-17.1. FORM OF APPLICATION. Any person intending to drill or use existing wells for control or recovery of pollution from aquifers within the State of New Mexico shall file an application to do so, in triplicate, on a form provided by the State Engineer and accompanied by the appropriate filing fee as required for an application to appropriate ground water (Article 6). The application shall be complete and adequate to determine the need for the pollution control or recovery operation; the underground water source; the location of points of withdrawal and discharge; the maximum annual quantity of water intended to be withdrawn from such source; the amount, method, and place of discharge of the water withdrawn from such wells and the estimated maximum period of time for completion of the pollution control or recovery operations.

1-17.2. EXEMPTION FROM OR MODIFICATION OF THE REQUIREMENT FOR PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OR FILING OF APPLICATION. The requirement for publication of notice of application required by other articles of these rules and regulations may be waived or modified if the State Engineer determines that the effects which may

result from the proposed pollution control or recovery operation would not permanently impair existing water rights or that an emergency exists and the delay caused by publication and hearing would not be in the public interest. Publication of notice of the application will be required after the application is approved, if not required before approval. Monitoring wells used exclusively for water level measuring and water sampling shall be exempt from the requirements for filing an application under this article but shall meet the requirements for construction, cementing, casing, testing and plugging where artesian water is encountered (Article 4-15 through 4-20).

1-17.3. CONSIDERATIONS BY THE STATE ENGINEER BEFORE APPROVAL OR DENIAL. Consideration by the State Engineer of an application filed pursuant to Article 1-17 shall include but not be limited to the following:

- a. methods for measurement of the amount of water withdrawn, the amount of water discharged and determination of the amount of water depleted from the aquifer and any related stream system.
- b. the granting of any permit under this article shall not establish a water right or relieve the permittee of any liability for detriment to or impairment of existing water rights.
- c. construction of pollution control, pollution recovery and monitoring wells shall be in a manner that will preclude the commingling of water between an artesian aquifer and water in overlying formation (Article 4-15).
- d. upon completion of the pollution control, recovery or monitoring operation all wells shall be plugged (Article 4) or otherwise maintained so that no water may be diverted from said wells unless a permit authorizing the use of the well is approved by the State Engineer in accordance with the other articles of these rules and regulations.
- e. the State Engineer will retain jurisdiction over permits issued pursuant to this article in order to prevent waste and detriment to or impairment of existing water rights to the extent practicable.

1-17.4. APPLICABILITY OF OTHER RULES AND REGULATIONS. The other articles of these rules and regulations shall also apply if water withdrawn from wells described in this article within a declared underground water basin (Article 7) is to be applied to beneficial use or as otherwise relevant to the application submitted

1-18. REQUIREMENTS FOR METERING GROUNDWATER WITHDRAWALS.

1-18.1. STATEWIDE METERING REQUIREMENTS. Nothing herein shall limit the authority of the State Engineer to require a meter as a condition of approval for any permit granted by the State Engineer, except withdrawals of groundwater solely for single household domestic uses or stock watering uses in a grazing operation as identified under Article 1-15.7.