



# Monitoring Well Program Fees

New Fees Begin 7/1/11

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FROM JULY 1, 2011 TO JUNE 30, 2012	PERMIT FEES
Permit to install one monitoring well	\$200.00
Each additional monitoring well installation	\$161.00
Permit for Well Maintenance Inspection for 1st well	\$99.00
Each additional well fee for Permit Maintenance Inspection	\$30.00
Permit for one soil boring	\$200.00
Each additional soil boring	\$49.00
Permit for monitoring well destruction	\$200.00
Each additional monitoring well destruction	\$123.00
Tank Monitoring Well Fee (per site) – Borings installed in UST and piping backfill with casing installed for purposes of monitoring tank system for leaks	\$320.00 Flat Fee
Permit extension fee (total of 2 extensions per permit )	\$25.00 Per Extension
Miscellaneous Monitoring Well Program Fee – Geotechnical boring waiver request review, refund request, fee variance.	\$81.00/Hour for EHT \$142.00/Hour for EHS

**Field Inspection Fees**

<b>Monitoring Well Re-inspection Fee</b> (A second inspection is required to verify that repairs have been completed.)	\$142.00/Hour
<b>Investigative Fee – For work done without a permit for which a permit is required or work done that is not in compliance with an approved permit</b>	100% of the Permit Cost

## Fees Shown In the Application Format

### Permit Fees In Effect for September 1, 2010 - June 30, 2011

ACTIVITY	FEE SCHEDULE	AMOUNT
<b>Permit for Well Installations Only</b> (Groundwater Monitoring Wells, Vadose, Vapor Extraction Wells)	<b>\$200.00 for the first monitoring well</b>	___ <u>1</u> ___ x \$200.00 \$ ___
<b>Permit for Well Maintenance Inspection</b> (Valid for three years)	<b>\$99.00 for first well maintenance inspection</b>	___ <u>1</u> ___ x \$99.00 ___
<b>Each Additional New Well</b>	<b>\$161.00 for each additional well installation</b>	___ x \$161.00 \$ ___
	<b>\$30.00 for each additional well maintenance inspection</b>	___ x \$30.00 \$ ___
<b>Permit for Borings Only</b> (CPT's, Hydropunch, Geoprobos, Temporary Well Points, etc.)	<b>\$200.00 for the first boring</b>  <b>\$49.00 for each additional boring</b>	___ <u>1</u> ___ x \$200.00 \$ ___  ___ x \$49.00 \$ ___
<b>Permit for Well Destructions Only</b>	<b>\$200.00 for the first destruction</b>  <b>\$123.00 for each additional destruction</b>	___ <u>1</u> ___ x \$200.00 \$ ___  ___ x \$123.00 \$ ___
<b>Permit for any Combination of Well Installations, Borings, &amp; Destructions (except UST backfill permit)</b>	<b>The first activity will be \$200.00.</b>  ..... <b>Additional activities will be as follows:</b>  <b>\$161.00 for each additional well</b> <b>\$99.00 for first well maintenance inspection</b> <b>\$30.00 for each additional well maintenance inspection</b> <b>\$49.00 for each additional boring</b> <b>\$123.00 for each well destruction</b>	___ <u>1</u> ___ x \$200.00 \$ ___  ___ x \$161.00 \$ ___ ___ <u>1</u> ___ x \$99.00\$ ___  ___ x \$30.00 \$ ___ ___ x \$49.00 \$ ___ ___ x \$123.00 \$ ___
<b>Permit for Underground Storage Tank Monitoring System in Backfill</b> (i.e. Enhanced Leak Detection)	<b>\$320.00</b> <b>(Flat Fee)</b>	<b><u>\$320.00</u></b>
	<b>TOTAL COST OF PERMIT</b>	\$ ___

## Explanation of Fees

**Permit Fee** – The fee as set forth in County of San Diego Code of Regulatory Ordinances, Title 6, Division 5, Chapter 1, required when application is made for a permit for an activity for which a permit is required.

**Monitoring Well Reinspection** - When the monitoring well staff conduct inspections and find wells that need corrections or repairs in the field, they send letters to the responsible parties and their consultants notifying them that repairs are required within a certain time frame. When the confirmation inspection is conducted and it is determined that the repairs have **not** been made, a follow-up inspection (a reinspection) is required. A reinspection fee will be charged for follow-up inspections to confirm corrections have been made.

**Investigative Fee** - This is a fee to recover our costs to investigate when it is discovered that work that required a permit was done without a permit. In addition to the original permit fee, the County will collect an investigative fee equal to 100% of the permit fees.

**Tank Monitoring Well Fee (per site)** – Borings installed in UST and piping backfill with casing installed for purposes of monitoring tank system for leaks.

**Miscellaneous Monitoring Well Program Fee** – This includes geotechnical boring waiver request review, refund request, fee variance, permit extension fee (total of 2 extensions per permit) and other Monitoring Well Program activities where no fee is specifically indicated. The charge is based on the staff time at the hourly rate.

**Well Maintenance Inspection Fee** - a fee for a well maintenance inspection permit is charged for all new well installations.

The inspection permit fee is due at the same time that the new well construction permit fee is due. The permit, which is valid for three years, will cover the cost of a subsequent well inspection during the three-year period. At the end of three years, the monitoring well maintenance permit may be renewed. If the monitoring well is no longer needed for monitoring groundwater quality, the responsible party may elect to have the well properly abandoned under permit rather than renew the well maintenance inspection permit. The responsible party would then submit an application for a permit to destroy the well. It is a goal of the Department of Environmental Health to have wells properly destroyed that are no longer of any use because they are a common cause of impairment of the quality of California's ground water.

**Each Additional Well Maintenance Inspection Fee** - a fee for well maintenance will be charged for each additional well on the same site.

For example - you want to install four new wells in September 2010. You submit a permit to install four wells. The fees (in September 2010) would be \$200.00 for the permit to install one well and \$483.00 (3 x \$161) for the additional three wells. You would also have to pay at the same time, \$99.00 for the first well maintenance inspection and \$90.00 (3 x \$30.00) for the maintenance inspection of the three additional wells.

Permit application cost for the first well	\$200.00	\$200.00
Permit application cost for each additional well	\$161.00 x 3	\$483.00
Maintenance fee for the first well	\$99.00	\$99.00
Maintenance fee for each additional well	\$30.00 x 3	\$90.00
Total cost of the permit to install 4 wells		\$872.00

For each new monitoring well, there will be a well construction inspection (either at the time of construction or soon after) and a follow-up maintenance inspection.

**Existing Monitoring Wells** - Staff will always look for existing wells, as time allows, when they go out for the drilling of new monitoring wells, the destruction of monitoring wells, or the well maintenance inspection. They will note any deficiencies at that time and require that the monitoring wells be repaired. If the wells are no longer being used, they will work with the responsible party to get the permit for the proper destruction of the wells.