

State Water Resources Control Board

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Subject: Non-Disclosure Agreement: Release of Obligation to Maintain Confidentiality of the Location of Public Water System Wells

To Whom It May Concern:

State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) records indicate that your agency entered into a non-disclosure agreement with the State Water Board, the California Department of Public Health (CDPH), and/or the California Department of Health Services (DHS) that allowed your agency to obtain access to records that included the location of certain water-related infrastructure, including public water system groundwater wells, in exchange for your agency's agreement to maintain the confidentiality of the location of that infrastructure. Most agencies access these records through a secure portal to the State Water Board's GeoTracker online information system, and some agencies have received hard copies of some of these records.

This letter is to inform you that the State Water Board now provides public access to the locations of public water system wells. In addition, in accordance with Health and Safety Code section 116271, the State Water Board is the successor agency to both CDPH and DHS for the administration of the Drinking Water Program, which includes the non-disclosure agreements that were entered into by CDPH and DHS. As a result, your agency is no longer obligated to maintain the confidentiality of the location of the public water system wells to which it obtained access in accordance with any non-disclosure agreements between your agency and the State Water Board, CDPH, or DHS.

For additional information, please visit the [GAMA webpage](#). All other provisions of the non-disclosure agreements relating to confidentiality of other records remain in full force and effect.

If you have any questions, please contact Laura Shook at (916) 341-5271 or Laura.Shook@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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