

Version 2: one option- cease using the well entirely and close it
– for municipalities or regional districts (a regional district may
have to establish the service first)

LOCAL GOVERNMENT OF ANYWHERE

BYLAW NO. XXXX

Being a Bylaw to Regulate Well Closure on Properties Connected to the Water
System

WHEREAS:

- A. The Local Government of Anywhere (the “Local Government”) currently operates a Water Supply and Distribution System (the “System”) established by Bylaw No. YYYY within the boundaries of the Local Government (and in the area outside of the boundaries of the Local Government as authorized by Bylaw No. VVVV);
- B. The Local Government, prior to the adoption of this bylaw, has consulted with the medical health officer responsible for public health matters within the Local Government; and
- C. The Local Government’s Council deems it necessary and desirable to regulate the use and closure of wells on properties served by the System.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council of the Local Government of Anywhere, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. Citation

This bylaw may be cited for all purposes as the “Local Government of Anywhere Well Closure Regulation Bylaw”.

2. Interpretation

- (1) In this Bylaw

“Bylaw” means the Local Government of Anywhere Well Regulation Bylaw.

"Close" means to take a well out of service permanently in accordance with section 9 of the Regulation.

"Connect" means to connect the Private System on a parcel to the System.

"Disconnect" means to disconnect a Well from the Private System on the parcel on which a Well is located in manner that prevents water from the Well from entering the System.

"GWPR" means the B.C. Reg. 299/2004, the Ground Water Protection Regulation under the *Water Act*.

"Owner" means the owner of a Well on a parcel Connected to the System.

"Private System" means the system of pipes and other apparatus connected to the System at the property line and used to convey water from the System to the plumbing fixtures in the buildings and structures on the land on which the Private System is installed.

"Regulation" means the Ground Water Protection Regulation, B.C. Reg. 299/2004, under the *Water Act*.

"System" means the Water Supply and Distribution System (the "System") established by Local Government of Anywhere Bylaw No. 0000.

"Well" means a well that was used for supplying water for domestic purposes prior to the Connection of the parcel on which the Well is located.

"Well Closure Report" means a report that complies with Schedule 3 of the Regulation or a similar enactment.

- (2) In this Bylaw,
 - (a) the first letter of a word that is defined in this section is written in upper case to indicate that it is limited to its defined meaning.
 - (b) a reference to a section, subsection, clause, or subclause means a section, subsection, clause, or subclause of this Bylaw unless otherwise indicated.

3. Well Disconnection and Closure

- (1) A person who applies to the Local Government for Connection to a parcel on which a Well is located, must Close or cause the Well to be Closed in accordance with this Bylaw and all applicable provincial enactments.

