

NOTICE TO HOMEOWNERS

CONNECTING TO PUBLIC WATER

The Medina County Health Department would like to remind homeowners and contractors of the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Chapter 3701-28 requirements that affects Private Water Systems (wells, cisterns, ponds, etc.) existing on your property.

If you are planning on connecting to public water, you must do one of the following to either keep or abandon the existing private water system located on your property:

If you wish to keep the Private Water System:

- Obtain an Alteration Permit from the Medina County Health Department. All work must be completed by a Private Water Systems contractor.
- The well, or other Private Water System, must be maintained in compliance with OAC Chapter 3701-28. Demonstration of compliance must include the ability to test the Private Water System, the presence of an operational pumping system and one or more of the following:
 - (a) A well log;
 - (b) A borehole video camera survey;
 - (c) A dye test, water sample; or
 - (d) An assessment performed by a registered private water systems contractor or by the Medina County Health Department that the system meets the requirements of OAC Chapter 3701-28.

If you wish to abandon/seal the Private Water System:

- Obtain a private water system Sealing Permit from the Medina County Health Department.
- Have the Private Water System properly abandoned and/or sealed by a Private Water Systems Contractor*.

*These contractors *must* be registered by the Ohio Department of Health and **MAY NOT** be on the Engineer's contractor list. Please contact the Medina County Health Department for a current list of private water systems contractors.

If you have any questions, please contact Steve Mazak, Supervisor, Sewage, Water, and Plumbing Programs, Medina County Health Department, at 330-723-9523.

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