Flathead Reservation Water Management Board

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The Flathead Reservation Water Management Board is currently staffing the Office of the Engineer, which will process all new water right applications on the Flathead Indian Reservation. Until the Office of the Engineer is staffed, the Board has established an interim system to process Individual and Shared Domestic Allowance applications, which are small groundwater uses that serve residential and small business needs. The interim process begins June 1, 2022.

- Beginning on June 1st: If you have not constructed a groundwater well or developed a spring, you may apply for authorization to construct a well or develop a spring for an Individual or Shared Domestic Allowance using the attached form. Once a completed application is received, the Board will respond to your application within 30 days. If you construct a groundwater well or develop a spring after June 01, 2022, without first securing an Authorization to Construct a Domestic Allowance, you may be subject to enforcement actions per the Ordinance.
- Beginning on July 1st: If you have constructed a groundwater well or developed a spring for an Individual or Shared Domestic Allowance between September 17, 2021 and June 01, 2022, the Board is allowing a grace period between July 1, 2022 and September 29, 2022 to attain compliance. To initiate the compliance process you must file the attached form during this 120-day period. If you do not file the attached form during this 120-day period, you may be subject to enforcement actions per the Ordinance.