

 <p>United States Environmental Protection Agency  <b>Underground Injection Control</b>  <b>Permit Application for a Class I Well</b>  <i>(Collected under the authority of the Safe Drinking Water Act.  Sections 1421, 1422, and 40 CFR Part 144)</i></p>		For Official Use Only	
		Date Received	
		Permit Number	
<b>Read Attached Instructions Before Starting</b>			
I. Owner Name, Address, Phone Number and/or Email		II. Operator Name, Address, Phone Number and/or Email	
Yes No		Private Federal State/Tribal/ Municipal	
		V. Permit Action Requested New Permit Permit Renewal Modification Add Well to Area Permit Other	
Yes No		Yes No	
VIII. Type of Permit (For multiple wells, use additional page(s) to provide the information requested for each additional well)			
A. Individual B. Area		Number of Wells Well Field and/or Project Names	
IX. Class and Type of Well (see reverse)			
A. Class B. Type (enter code(s))		C. If type code is "X," explain.	
X. Well Status		XI. Well Information	
A. Operating Date Injection Started		API Number Permit (or EPA ID) Number Full Well Name	
B. Conversion Date Well Constructed			
C. Proposed			
XII. Location of Well or, for Multiple Wells, Approximate Center of Field or Project			
Locate well in two directions from nearest lines of quarter section and drilling unit  Surface Location 1/4 of      1/4 of      Section      Township      Range  ft. from (N/S)      Line of quarter section ft. from (E/W)      Line of quarter section.		Latitude  Longitude	
XIII. Attachments			
<i>In addition to this form, complete Attachments A-U (as appropriate for the specific well class) on separate sheets. Submit complete information, as required in the instructions and list all attachments, maps or other figures, by the applicable letter.</i>			
XIV. Certification			
I certify under the penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted in this document and all attachments and that, based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe that the information is true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment. (Ref. 40 CFR § 144.32)			
Authorized Signatory and Official Title (Please Type or Print)		Signature	
		Date Signed	

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR FORM 7520-6 (CLASS I WELLS)

A permit application must be completed by all owners or operators of current or proposed Class I, II, and III wells, and some Class V injection wells subject to the requirement to obtain an Underground Injection Control (UIC) permit as described at 40 CFR 144.31 and others directed by a UIC official to apply for a UIC permit. Please note that the information needs vary by well class. These instructions are specific to Class I wells; other versions are available for other well classes. If the application covers multiple wells, use additional pages as necessary to provide all the requested information.

**I. OWNER NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE AND/OR EMAIL:** Enter the name and street address, city/town, state, and ZIP code of the owner of the well, well field, or company. Also provide an email address (if available) and/or a phone number.

**II. OPERATOR NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE AND/OR EMAIL:** Enter the name and street address, city/town, state, and ZIP code of the operator of well or well field; also provide an email address (if available) and/or a phone number. If the operator is the same as the owner, enter "same as owner."

**III. COMMERCIAL FACILITY:** Check the appropriate box to indicate the type of facility. A commercial facility is a single or multiple well facility that is specifically engaged in the business of injecting waste fluids generated by third party producers that is originated off-site and transported to the facility by truck for a fee or compensation.

**IV. OWNERSHIP:** Check the appropriate box to indicate whether the owner of the well/facility is a private, Federal, or State/Tribal/Municipal entity.

**V. TYPE OF PERMIT ACTION REQUESTED:** Check "new permit" if the well has never been subject to a UIC permit (e.g., for a newly constructed or converted well). Check "permit renewal" for an application associated with extending an expiring UIC permit. Check "modification" for an application to modify an existing permit that is not expiring. Check "add well to area permit" if additional wells are to be covered under an existing UIC area permit. Check "other," if needed and describe the situation.

**VI. SIC CODES:** List at least one and no more than four Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Codes that best describe the nature of the business in order of priority. A list of SIC codes is available from the U.S. Department of Labor at <https://www.osha.gov/pls/imis/sicsearch.html>.

**VII. INDIAN COUNTRY:** Check yes if the well is located in Indian country. Indian country (as defined in 18 U.S.C. 1151) includes: all land within the limits of any Indian reservation under the jurisdiction of the U.S. government; all dependent Indian communities within the borders of the U.S.; and all Indian allotments, the Indian titles to which have not been extinguished.

**VIII. TYPE OF PERMIT:** Check "Individual" or "Area" to indicate the type of permit requested. Individual permits cover a single injection well, while area permits may cover more than one injection well. Note that area permits are issued at the discretion of the Director and that wells covered by an area permit must: be at one contiguous site, be under the control of one entity, and may not inject hazardous waste. If an area permit is requested, enter the **number of wells** to be included in the permit. In the case of a project or field that crosses State lines, it may be possible to consider an area permit if EPA has jurisdiction in all affected States (each such case will be considered individually). Also provide the **name of the well field or project**.

**IX. CLASS AND TYPE OF WELL:** Enter the class (as defined in 40 CFR 144.6) and type of injection well for which a permit is requested. Use the most pertinent code selected from the table below. When selecting type "X", please explain in the space provided.

### TABLE OF CLASS I WELL TYPES

I	Non-Hazardous Industrial Disposal Well.
M	Non-Hazardous Municipal Disposal Well.
H	Hazardous Waste Disposal Well injecting below the lowermost USDW.
R	Radioactive Waste Disposal Well.
X	Other Class I Wells (not included in Type "I," "M," "H," or "R").

**X. WELL STATUS:** Check **Box A, Operating** if the well currently operates as an injection well (e.g., if a permit renewal is requested or a permit is sought for an existing rule-authorized injection well). Check **Box B, Conversion** for an existing well not currently being utilized for injection that is proposed to be converted to an injection well. Check **Box C, Proposed** for an underground injection well not yet constructed or completed. Provide relevant dates if A or B are checked.

**XI. WELL INFORMATION:** Enter the **API number** (the number assigned by the local jurisdiction (usually a State Oil and Gas Agency) using the American Petroleum Institute standard numbering system). Enter the **Permit or EPA ID number** assigned to the injection well by the EPA or the permitting authority. If you do not have a number (e.g., for a new well), this will be provided by EPA or the permitting authority, and you can leave the field blank. Also enter the **Full Name of the Well** or project.

**XII. LOCATION:** For individual permit applications, in the fields provided, enter the location of the well using latitude and longitude and/or the Public Land Survey System. When using latitude and longitude, use decimal degrees to five or six places

after the decimal, if possible; be sure to include a negative sign for the longitude of a well in the Western Hemisphere and a negative sign for the latitude of a well in the Southern Hemisphere. When using the Public Land Survey System, fill in the complete township, range, and section to the nearest quarter-quarter section. A township is north or south of the baseline, and a range is east or west of the principal meridian (e.g., T12N, R34W). Also include the distance, in feet, from the nearest north or south line and nearest east or west line of the quarter-section. For area permit applications, provide the latitude and longitude of the approximate center of the area.

**XIII. ATTACHMENTS:** Specific instructions for completing the attachments are presented on pages 3 through 6. Place the permit or EPA ID number (or, if none has been assigned, other identifying information such as an API number or the project name) in the upper right hand corner of each page of the attachments.

**XIV. CERTIFICATION:** All permit applications must be signed by either: a responsible corporate officer for a corporation, by a general partner for a partnership, by the proprietor of a sole proprietorship, or by a principal executive or ranking elected official for a public agency. Please note that this form must be signed by a responsible entity as described at 40 CFR 144.32, even if the attachments are prepared by contractors or service companies.

**PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT NOTICE:** The public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 215 hours per response for a Class I hazardous well permit application and 104 hours per response for a Class I non-hazardous well permit application. Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resource expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal Agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; train personnel to be able to respond to the collection of information; search data sources; complete and review the collection of information; and, transmit or otherwise disclose the information. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. Send comments on the Agency's need for this information, the accuracy of the provided burden estimates, and any suggested methods for minimizing respondent burden, including the use of automated collection techniques to Director, Collection Strategies Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (2822), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20460. Include the OMB control number in any correspondence. Do not send the completed forms to this address.

## Instructions for Completing Attachments to Form 7520-6 (Class I Wells)

The Underground Injection Control (UIC) program, as promulgated under the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), is designed to prevent injection activity from allowing the movement of fluid containing any contaminant into underground sources of drinking water (USDWs), if the presence of that contaminant may cause a violation of any primary drinking water regulation or may otherwise adversely affect the health of persons as found at Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations (40 CFR) section 144.12. Any applicant for a permit under this program shall have the burden of showing that their proposed construction, operation, maintenance, conversion, plugging, abandonment, and injection activity, does not endanger USDWs.

The attachments below have been constructed to provide applicants with clear expectations as to what information EPA needs to make a determination that an applicant's proposed activities will not endanger USDWs.

### Pre-Application Coordination

Coordination between the UIC program and the permit applicant prior to submittal of the permit application is an important step for efficient and effective permitting. Early discussions will ensure that the applicant is aware of all the permit application requirements, including state specific requirements found at 40 CFR part 147. These discussions may also help the applicant plan how to invest time and resources needed to develop a comprehensive and complete permit application.

Applicants are encouraged to contact their EPA regional UIC program for a pre-application coordination meeting.

*When completing each attachment, please be sure to specify the units reported, e.g., of depth, pressure, temperature, etc.*

## **Attachment A. Map(s) and Area of Review**

### Part I. Well Location(s)

For Individual Permits: If the surface location provided in the accompanying 7520-6 form does not adequately describe the well location (i.e., due to deviation, directional, or horizontal drilling), please describe the well's orientation and provide the top- and bottom-hole coordinates, as appropriate. If any monitoring wells are proposed as part of this permit application, provide coordinates for all monitoring wells.

For Area Permits (40 CFR § 144.33): Provide information similar to what is outlined above for individual permits for each well (existing or proposed) to be covered by this permit. In addition, provide a description of the proposed permitted area. At a minimum, this area should include all the proposed or existing wells known at the time of permit application submittal. For circular areas, this description should consist of a defined-radius from a singular point whose coordinates have been given. For polygonal areas, use a series of coordinates describing the vertices or corners of the area. Submit a Geographic Information System (GIS) file, if available.

### Part II. Area of Review Size Determination (40 CFR § 146.6)

For All Permits. Give the method (fixed radius or equation) and, if appropriate, all calculations used to determine the size of the area of review (AOR). If you are uncertain as to which method to use, consult with your regional EPA office.

The AOR must be a minimum radius of one-fourth (1/4) mile from the well bore, including a well's lateral, or the proposed area permit boundary for area permits, unless the use of an equation is approved by the Director. For Class I wells injecting hazardous waste, the area of review must be at least a two (2) mile radius around the well bore.

### Part III. Map(s) (40 CFR §§ 144.31, 146.14, & 146.70)

Submit a topographic map (or other map if a topographic map is unavailable) extending one mile beyond the facility property boundary showing:

- project injection well(s), well pad(s) and/or project area,
- applicable area of review,
- all outcrops of injection and confining formations,
- all surface water intake and discharge structures, and
- all hazardous waste treatment, storage, or disposal facilities.

Consult with your EPA regional office for the definition of the facility property boundary.

Within the one-fourth (1/4) mile beyond the facility property boundary or the AOR, whichever is larger, the map will also show the:

- name and location of all production wells, injection wells, abandoned wells, dry holes, and all water wells, noting their types (public water system, domestic drinking water, stock, etc.),
- springs and surface bodies of water,
- mines (surface and subsurface) and quarries, and
- other pertinent surface features, including residences, schools, hospitals, and roads.

Only information of public record is required to be included on this map. Multiple maps may be needed to display this information clearly. If a certain feature is not present in the area covered, please state so definitively (e.g., "There are no known outcrops of the confining formation in the mapped area").

#### Part IV. Area of Review Wells and Corrective Action Plans (40 CFR §§ 144.55, 146.14, & 146.70)

Submit a tabulation of data and wellbore diagrams reasonably available from public records or otherwise known to the applicant on all wells within the AOR included on the map, which penetrate the proposed confining zone(s). Such information will include:

- well name, location and depth,
- well type,
- date well was drilled,
- well construction that includes casing and cement details, including demonstrated or calculated top of cement,
- cement bond logs (if available), and
- record of well completion and plugging (if applicable).

For such wells which are improperly sealed, completed, or abandoned, also submit a plan consisting of such steps or modifications as are necessary to prevent movement of fluid into USDWs.

#### Part V. Landowner Information (40 CFR § 144.31 and part 147)

Identify and submit a list with the names and addresses of all owners of record of land within one-fourth (1/4) mile of the facility property boundary. This requirement may be waived by the Regional Administrator if the site is in a populous area and the Regional Administrator determines that the requirement would be impracticable.

Consult with your regional EPA office, as additional state landowner notification requirements may apply (40 CFR part 147).

### **Attachment B. Geological and Geophysical Information**

#### Part I. Geological Data (40 CFR §§ 146.14 & 146.70)

Provide the following information:

- geological data on all formations from the surface to the base of the injection well, identifying all USDWs and confining and injection zone(s). This data includes the lithologic description, geological name, thickness, depth, and total dissolved solids (TDS) concentrations from these formations (if known),
- the position of all USDWs that may be affected by the proposed injection relative to the injection formation and the direction of water movement,
- the geologic structure of the local area,
- source of information for the geologic data and formation TDS,
- porosity and permeability of injection formation (if available),
- geological cross-sections proximate to the injection well that include the confining and injection zones. The cross-sections should illustrate the regional geologic setting and show the thickness and lateral continuity of the confining zone(s) through the area of review,
- within the AOR, identify known or suspected faults and fracture systems. If identified, provide proximity to the injection zone and the effect the fault/fracture system may have on the injection activities, and
- a history of seismic activity in the area and proximity to crystalline (i.e., granitic) basement.

#### Part II. Proposed Formation Testing Program (40 CFR §§ 146.12 & 146.70)

Provide a formation testing program to obtain data on:

- fluid pressure,
- temperature,
- estimated fracture pressure,
- physical and chemical characteristics of the formation fluids, and
- physical, chemical, and radiological characteristics of the injection zone (and, for Class I hazardous wells, of the confining zone).

### **Attachment C. Well Construction/Conversion Information**

#### Part I. Well Schematic Diagram (40 CFR §§ 146.14 & 146.70)

Provide a detailed proposed well schematic diagram that includes:

- identification of USDWs and confining and injection zones,
- casing and cementing details, including demonstrated or calculated top of cement,
- tubing and packer (if applicable; if an alternative to a packer is proposed, provide justifying information),
- open hole or perforated intervals,
- proposed injection procedures including pump, surge, tank, and
- surface trace (if horizontal or deviated well).

For wells that are drilled and to be converted to an injection well, also provide the current well schematic diagram.

## Part II. Well Construction or Conversion Procedures (40 CFR §§ 144.52, 146.12, 146.14, 146.65 & 146.70)

Provide a detailed description of well construction or conversion procedures, that includes:

- proposed logs and other tests conducted during the drilling and construction of new well(s),
- proposed stimulation plan(s), if planned, and
- description of alarms and shut-down systems at the well (if applicable).

For wells that are drilled and to be converted to an injection well, also provide:

- well completion and cementing records, and
- previously run logs/tests.

### **Attachment D. Injection Operation and Monitoring Program (40 CFR §§ 146.13, 146.14, 146.68, & 146.70)**

Submit the following information:

- flow diagram of fluid flow through the facility,
- contingency plan(s) to cope with well failure, so as to prevent migration of contaminating fluids into a USDW,
- drawing of the surface construction,
- locations of all monitoring devices (show on the map(s) referenced in section A.III. above), and
- description of sampling and monitoring devices to monitor the nature of the injected fluids, injection pressure, annulus pressure (if applicable), flowrate, and cumulative volume.

Additionally, submit the following proposed operating data for each well in the individual or area permit:

- average and maximum daily rate and volume of fluids to be injected,
- average and maximum injection pressure,
- source(s) of injection fluids (including field and formation names),
- proposed annular fluid, and
- analysis of the chemical, physical, radiological, and biological characteristics, including density and corrosiveness, of the injection fluid. At a minimum, this should include pH, specific gravity, TDS, and conductivity. Consult with the regional EPA office for additional guidance.

### **Attachment E. Plugging and Abandonment Plan (40 CFR §§ 144.31, 144.51, 146.14, & 146.71)**

Submit a plugging and abandonment (P&A) plan of the well on EPA Form 7520-19 along with a P&A diagram. The plan should include:

- type, and number of plugs to be used,
- placement of each plug including the elevation of top and bottom,
- type, grade, and quantity of cement to be used, and
- method of placement of the plugs.

Provide one or more cost estimates from an independent firm in the business of plugging and abandoning wells to conduct the work proposed in the P&A plan for EPA to contract plugging of the well. This is to ensure that EPA has adequate funding to plug the well(s) if the operator is unable to plug the well(s).

Consult with the regional EPA office for additional guidance on developing the P&A plan and cost estimate calculations.

### **Attachment F. Financial Assurance (40 CFR § 144.52)**

Submit evidence of financial resources, such as a surety bond or financial statement, necessary for a third party to close, plug, or abandon the well (and, for wells injecting hazardous waste, to perform post-closure care) in the event an owner or operator is unable to do so. The monetary amount is based on the P&A plan cost estimate provided in Attachment E.

### **Attachment G. Site Security and Manifest Requirements (Commercial Wells Only)**

Provide a proposed site security plan. This could include fencing around the perimeter of the facility. Consult with the regional EPA office for additional guidance on manifest requirements.

### **Attachment H Aquifer Exemptions (40 CFR §§ 144.7 & 146.4)**

If an aquifer exemption (AE) is requested, submit the information required at 40 CFR § 144.7 and to demonstrate that the criteria found at 40 CFR § 146.4 are met. Consult with your regional EPA office for additional guidance.

**Attachment I. Existing EPA Permits (40 CFR § 144.31)**

Submit a listing of all permits or construction approvals received or applied for under any of the following programs:

- Hazardous Waste Management program under RCRA,
- UIC program under SDWA,
- NPDES program under CWA,
- Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) program under the Clean Air Act,
- Nonattainment program under the Clean Air Act,
- National Emission Standards for Hazardous Pollutants (NESHAPS) preconstruction approval under the Clean Air Act.
- Ocean dumping permits under the Marine Protection Research and Sanctuaries Act,
- Dredge and fill permits under section 404 of CWA, and
- Other relevant environmental permits, including State permits.

**Attachment J. Description of Business (40 CFR § 144.31)**

Provide a brief description of the nature of the business.

**Attachment K. Optional Additional Project Information (40 CFR § 144.4)**

The following is a list of Federal laws that may apply prior to the issuance of permits. When any of these laws are applicable, EPA must ensure that they are followed. The optional additional information requested below will assist EPA in its analyses to satisfy these laws.

- The Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, 16 U.S.C. 1273 et seq.

Identify any national wild and scenic river that may be impacted by the activities associated with the proposed project.

- The National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, 16 U.S.C. 470 et seq.

Identify properties listed or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places that may be affected by the activities associated with the proposed project. If previous historic and cultural resource survey(s) have been conducted, provide the results of the survey(s).

- The Endangered Species Act, 16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.

Identify any endangered or threatened species that may be affected by the activities associated with the proposed project. If a previous endangered or threatened species survey has been conducted, provide the results of the survey.

- The Coastal Zone Management Act, 16 U.S.C. 1451 et seq.

Identify any coastal zones that may be affected by the activities associated with the proposed project.