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WELL SETBACKS

- 10' From Structures
- 10' From Property Lines
- 10' From Private Road
- 25' From County Road
- 50' From State Highway
- 50' From Septic Tank
- 100' From Septic Leach Lines / Leach Field
- 100' From Unstable Land Masses
- 100' From Springs / Ephemeral Waterways*
- 150' From Perennial Streams** / High Water Marks
- 200' From Wetlands / Seeps*** / Lakes / Vernal Pools****
Pond High Water Marks
- 1 MILE If a well is within 1 mile from a navigable waterway
(such as a river) – the minimum depth of the well must be
150' before using slotted / perforated pipe.

* **Ephemeral Stream:** A **stream** that flows only briefly during and following a period of rainfall in the immediate locality.

** **Perennial Stream:** A stream or **perennial** river is a stream or river (channel) that has continuous flow in parts of its stream bed all year-round during years of normal rainfall.

*** **Seeps** are small, critical habitats only detected through site visits. **Seeps** or **seepage wetlands** are springs, pools, or other wet places where groundwater naturally comes to the surface. Seepage marshes can occur in association with **wetland** borders, in headwaters, and along stream drainages.

**** **Vernal Pools**, also called **vernal ponds** or ephemeral **pools**, are seasonal **pools** of water that provide habitat for distinctive plants and animals.