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I would like to propose some language to ensure that domestic wells and other private wells are properly decommissioned when they are replaced. I think there was discussion around the current "Unusable Well" language and how it provides some wiggle room for a well owner to say that they can use the well (which was just replaced) for something else. If the well was able to serve it's purpose, they would not have paid a driller to come and drill a replacement well.

So I would propose a new paragraph .07 in rule 036.

Here's a try at language. Definitely open to some wordsmithing.

"07. Wells Being Replaced. A well that has been replaced by a well that will divert water under the same water right or under the domestic exemption must be decommissioned by a licensed well driller under a permit issued by the Director in accordance with these Rules. Two domestic wells that are exempt from the water rights permitting process shall not be allowed to serve the same domestic purpose."

Thanks,

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