



WELL SEALING GUIDE

Why Seal Wells?

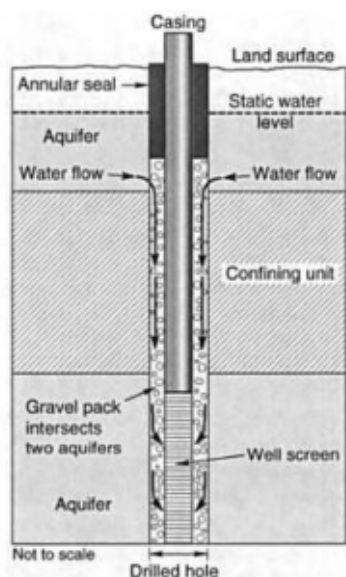
- Prevent poor water quality
- Prevent groundwater contamination
- Restore an aquifer to as close to its original condition as possible
- Eliminate physical hazards
 - A child or animal could fall into an open borehole
- Reduce potential for future liability

When to Seal a Well?

- When the well is no longer in use with no future plans for use
- When the well can no longer be properly maintained
 - Examples include a casing or cap that is chipped, cracked, or deteriorating
- When a dry hole is drilled

Materials & Method Depends on...

- Design of borehole
- Construction of well/borehole
- Hydrologic conditions
- Chemical environment
- Safety hazards
- Disposal of contaminated materials



Well Sealing Requirements

- **Pay permit fee of \$20** through the Zanesville-Muskingum County Health Department.
- Submit a completed well abandonment report.

See Ohio Administrative Code 3701-28-01 for more information on sealing an abandoned well, test hole, or dry well.