Tips on Water Use Reporting

Please fill in the blank portions of your form(s). Inspect and correct any preprinted information if necessary. Also, if you have an email address, please provide it.

The minimum fields needed to complete your report for each well are “Start Date,” “End Date,” “Start Reading,” “End Reading,” “Crop,” “Acreage,” and “Units meter reads in.” For wells which you have previously reported water usage the start date and start reading are preprinted on the form.

The question about additional water sources need only be answered if you used additional water sources for the same acreage, i.e. you are also using surface water to water the same field.

“Local Well Name” is optional and is included to provide you with a place to record your name for the well if you have one. “Additional Comments” is for any comments you wish to submit about each well or the water use reported for it.

Agricultural water use is typically presented in acre-feet per acre. We take the readings and acreages you submit and convert them to acre-feet per acre for the crop grown. Thanks to the meters we are getting very accurate information for the acre-feet. An accurate estimate of acreage is just as important in that equation. Please be sure to provide only the acreage irrigated by the well with the meter.

When reporting your Starting and Ending meter readings, please provide the actual number recorded on the meter at the start and end of the season. Important: The meter readings are not in “Gallons per Minute”. Printed under the meter reading should be either “ACRE FEET”, “ACRE FEET x .01”, “ACRE FEET x .001”, “GALLONS”, “GALLONS x 100”, or “GALLONS x 1000”. (No decimal places)

If you have any questions or concerns about completing the form or using the online reporting tool, GUST, please do not hesitate to contact:

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