

**Minimum required steps to lease or donate a private well to the District.** Any privately owned well must be leased to the DWID with required terms, provisions and conditions. The lease would prohibit the well owner from access to the water essentially making the owner a customer. This requirement is part of ADEQ's many regulations on making a private water source public. This is to guarantee the water source does not get contaminated. The terms of the lease in respect to length is negotiable but the DWID would have sole jurisdiction on when it is terminated. This protects the district members from well owners arbitrarily taking back the water source. Another provision in a lease would be guaranteed access to the well site for testing and maintenance. All ADEQ water testing costs prior to the lease being signed would be paid by either the well owner or the DWID. These required tests are between four and seven thousand dollars depending on previous well data. If the well does become part of the DWID then the price for the water paid and any other benefits to the well owner would be negotiated. All upgrade costs to the well site including pumps, electrical equipment, pipes, fencing, concrete, maintenance and security equipment would be the responsibility of the DWID.

All the above information is subject to change based on Arizona Revised Statutes, ADEQ Arizona Administrative Codes, Legal advice, the DWID Board of Directors In Executive session and Arizona Open Meeting laws.