103I.301 WELL SEALING REQUIREMENTS.

Subdivision 1. **Wells and borings.** (a) A property owner must have a well or boring sealed if:

(1) the well or boring is contaminated or may contribute to the spread of contamination;

(2) the well or boring was attempted to be sealed but was not sealed according to the provisions of this chapter; or

(3) the well or boring is located, constructed, or maintained in a manner that its continued use or existence endangers groundwater quality or is a safety or health hazard.

(b) A well or boring that is not in use must be sealed unless the property owner has a maintenance permit for the well.

(c) The property owner must have a well or boring sealed by a licensed person authorized to seal the well or boring, consistent with provisions of this chapter.

Subd. 2. **Environmental wells.** The owner of the property where an environmental well is located must have the environmental well sealed when the well is no longer in use. The owner must have a well contractor, limited well/boring sealing contractor, or an environmental well contractor seal the environmental well.

Subd. 3. **Dewatering wells.** (a) The owner of the property where a dewatering well is located must have the dewatering well sealed when the dewatering well is no longer in use.

(b) A well contractor, limited well/boring sealing contractor, or limited dewatering well contractor shall seal the dewatering well.

Subd. 3a. **Temporary boring.** (a) The owner of the property where a temporary boring is located must have the temporary boring sealed within 72 hours after the start of construction of the temporary boring.

(b) The owner must have a well contractor, a limited well/boring sealing contractor, or an environmental well contractor seal the temporary boring.

Subd. 4. **Sealing procedures.** Wells and borings must be sealed according to rules adopted by the commissioner.

Subd. 5. [Repealed, 1990 c 597 s 73]

Subd. 6. **Notification required.** A person may not seal a well or temporary boring until a notification of the proposed sealing is filed as prescribed by the commissioner. A single notification is required for all temporary borings sealed on a single property. Temporary borings less than 25 feet in depth are exempt from the notification requirements in this chapter.

History: *1989 c 326 art 3 s 16; 1990 c 597 s 36; 1991 c 355 s 27,28; 1992 c 544 s 7,8; 1999 c 153 s 9,10; 1Sp2017 c 6 art 10 s 24,25; 1Sp2019 c 9 art 11 s 12,13*