

SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

Well Permit Fee Schedule Effective: January 1, 2026

Permit Type	Permit Fee	Comment
Well Construction	\$1000 per well	Applied to all devices requiring a well construction permit
Well Destruction	\$885 per well	Applied to all devices requiring a well destruction permit
Well Reconstruction	\$550 per well	Applied to all events requiring a well reconstruction permit
Closed Loop Geothermal Heat Exchange Well System	See Below	Based on number of wells in proposed system ¹
Exploratory Boring ¹	\$475 up to 5 borings +\$85 per each additional boring	Applied per parcel.
Standby Well Permit	\$495 initial \$395 extension	For all new standby permits and permit extensions (permit void after two years)
Permit Fee Refund	70% of permit fee after permit issuance	
Additional Weekday Inspection Surcharge	\$600 construction/destruction \$400 reconstruction	Applied for additional inspection per site
Weekend Inspection Surcharge	\$3500 construction/ destruction \$2260 reconstruction	Applied for inspection per site on weekends
Holiday Inspection	\$1200 construction/ destruction \$800 reconstruction	Applied for inspection per site on holidays

Closed Loop Geothermal Heat Exchange Well Permit Fee Schedule²

Number of Wells in Proposed System	Permit Fee for construction and destruction
1 to 5	\$1,765
6 to 10	\$3,235
11 to 20	\$4,710
21 to 50	\$6,180
51 to 100	\$7,655
101 to 200	\$10,110
201 to 300	\$12,560
More than 300 ³	\$15,015

Notes:

1. Exploratory Borings – For borings proposed on multiple assessor parcels, a separate boring permit is required for each assessor parcel number.
2. The fees apply to both construction and destruction of Geothermal Heat Exchange Wells.
3. If the number of Closed Loop Geothermal Heat Exchange Wells exceeds 30 inspections, Valley Water would bill additional Geothermal Heat Exchange Wells at a rate of \$780 per inspection day.