



PROTECTING, MAINTAINING & IMPROVING THE HEALTH OF ALL MINNESOTANS

January 31, 2020

Mr. Bruce Westby, Engineer
City of Ramsey
7550 Sunwood Drive Northwest
Ramsey, Minnesota 55303

Dear Mr. Westby:

Subject: Final Approval of the Part 2: Wellhead Protection Plan Amendment,
Prepared for City of Ramsey

I have reviewed the remaining part of the wellhead protection plan amendment (Part 2) for the city of Ramsey, received October 7, 2019, according to the requirements of Minnesota Rules, part 4720.5555, subparts 1 and 2. The following principles were used as a basis for review:

- **Compliance with the rule** - the wellhead protection plan must be in compliance with parts 4720.5100 to 4720.5590.
- **Sound management of water resources** - includes evaluations concerning whether significant up- or down-gradient effects on groundwater may result from management controls specified in the plan. Source management options should be based on sound data and technical analysis, and the interactions between surface water and groundwater are considered. Also, the effects of short- and long-term variations in precipitation must be evaluated for their impacts on source management.
- **Effective health and environmental protection** - includes preventing potential water and related land resource problems which may impact the public wells, identifying anticipated and appropriate improvements in the quality of the environment within the drinking water supply management area, and promoting public health and safety.
- **Efficient management of potential contaminant sources** - includes estimating the cost of implementing the wellhead protection plan. Also, the management approach must identify 1) mechanisms for funding plan implementation, 2) how coordination will be achieved with participating state and local agencies, 3) approaches that were used to identify source management problems and opportunities to correct them, and 4) how water conservation practices will be used to support wellhead protection goals.

The plan provides an adequate assessment of the city's source waters and contains goals, objectives, and action strategies for the potential sources covered by the plan. The city of Ramsey is commended for their efforts in amending their plan to protect their drinking water supply from contamination.

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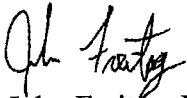
The purpose of this letter is to notify you that the Minnesota Department of Health finds the plan amendment to be consistent with Minnesota's wellhead protection rules and approves your plan for:

Well No.	Unique Well No.
1	161441
2	416183
3	580303
4	580313
5	593672
6	706840
7	743832
8	743833

Upon receipt of this letter, the city of Ramsey has up to 60 days to: 1) begin implementation of your wellhead protection plan amendment (Minnesota Rules, part 4720.5560, subpart 1); and 2) notify all local units of government within the drinking water supply management area of the adoption of your plan amendment (Minnesota Rules, part 4720.5560, subpart 2).

Should you have any questions in the future or would like assistance with the implementation of your plan, please contact me at john.freitag@state.mn.us or (651) 201-4669.

Sincerely,



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