



**ORDINANCE TO PROHIBIT WELLS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS
OF THE TOWN OF PINE LEVEL, NORTH CAROLINA**

WHEREAS, the Town of Pine Level operates its own water distribution system pursuant to Article 16 of Chapter 160A of the North Carolina General Statutes; and

WHEREAS, said water distribution system operates on the basis of the Town obtaining water from a well system which could be unfavorably drained or otherwise affected by additional wells being constructed and tapping into and draining the underground water supply which feeds the town's water distribution system; and

WHEREAS, the town's water distribution system and fire protection are predicated upon the town obtaining water from the well owned and operated by the town; and

WHEREAS, the town desires to protect its water distribution system from possible competition with or drainage from other wells within the Town of Pine Level.


NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Pine Level, North Carolina that it shall henceforth be unlawful for any type of wells to be constructed in the town's corporate limits, for the purpose of supplying potable or non-potable water. It shall be unlawful for any person or business entity to dig, drill or otherwise draw water from geological strata within and under the corporate limits, with the exception of wells existing at the date of adoption of this ordinance.

Any person who shall willfully or negligently violate any provision of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be punishable by a fine not to exceed \$100 and/or a term of imprisonment not to exceed thirty (30) days, to be determined by a court of law.

Exceptions to the provisions of this ordinance shall require unanimous approval of the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Pine Level, North Carolina.

This ordinance shall become effective upon its adoption by the Board of Commissioners.

DULY ADOPTED THIS 9TH DAY OF JANUARY 2006.


MAYOR

ATTEST:


TOWN CLERK

(SEAL)