

# ORDINANCE 2016-1

## CROSS CONNECTION CONTROL PROGRAM

### **THE MCKINNEY WATER DISTRICT "DOES ORDAIN THE FOLLOWING"**

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#### SECTION I – PURPOSE

The purpose of this Ordinance is to protect the public water supply system from contamination due to potential and actual cross-connections. This shall be accomplished by the establishment of a cross-connection control program as required by the State Regulations.

This Ordinance is adopted pursuant to Title 17 Section 7583-7605, inclusive of the California Code of Regulations entitled "Regulations Relating to Cross-Connections."

#### SECTION II – RESPONSIBILITY

The contracted CA-NVAWWA Cross Connection Control Specialist shall be responsible for implementing and enforcing the cross-connection control program. An appropriate backflow prevention assembly shall be installed by and at the expense of the water user, at each user connection. This is to prevent backflow from the water user's premises to the domestic water system. It is the water user's responsibility to comply with the Ordinance requirement.

#### SECTION III – CROSS-CONNECTION PROTECTION REQUIREMENTS

The type of protection that shall be provided to prevent backflow into the public water supply system shall comply with the degree of hazard, actual or potential, that exists on the user's premises. Unprotected cross-connections with the public water supply are prohibited. The type of backflow prevention assembly that may be required includes; Air Gap Separation (AG), Reduced Pressure Principle Backflow Prevention Assembly (RP), and a Double Check Valve (DC). The water user may select a higher level of protection than is required by the Water Supplier. Situations that are not covered by Table 1 Section 7604 Title 17, shall be determined on a case-by-case basis.

#### SECTION IV – BACKFLOW PREVENTION ASSEMBLIES

Only CA-NV AWWA approved backflow prevention assemblies shall be accepted for installation by the water user. A list of approved backflow assemblies shall be provided upon request to any affected customer. Location of the assemblies shall be as close as practical to the user's connection. The program administrator shall have the final authority to determine the required location of the assembly.

Testing of backflow assemblies shall be conducted only by certified testers and testing will be done, under the responsibility of the water user. Backflow prevention devices must be tested at least annually, and immediately after installation, relocation or repairs made to the device. More frequent testing may be required if deemed necessary by the McKinney Water District, (McKWD). No assembly shall be placed back in service unless it is functioning as required. All costs of a survey, testing,

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repair and maintenance shall be borne by the water user. Approval must be obtained from the MCKWD and the program administrator prior to removal, relocation or replacing a backflow prevention assembly.

#### SECTION VI – ADMINISTRATION

The Cross-Connection Control Program shall be administered by a “Certified CA-NV AWWA Cross Connection Program Specialist”. On this date, B&L Backflow Co. has a contract with the MCKWD to administer said program and maintain files for view of the California Department of Health Services. The CA-NV AWWA maintains a list of approved backflow assemblies as well as a current list of approved backflow prevention assembly testers. The program administrator may be required to conduct a survey of water user premises to evaluate potential risks and health hazards and prescribe the appropriate AWWA approved assembly to protect the drinking water system. The cost of the survey (currently set at \$60.00 and subject to change,) shall be paid by the property owner to Current Program Administrator. The program administrator shall notify water users each year when an assembly needs to be tested to avoid service disconnection and penalty fees for non-compliance.

#### SECTION VII – WATER SERVICE TERMINATION

When the MCKWD encounters water users that present a clear and immediate hazard to the water supply that cannot be immediately abated, the procedure for terminating water service shall be instituted. Conditions for service termination shall include (But not limited to the following)

1. Refusal to install or to test a backflow prevention assembly, or to repair a faulty device on or before the shut off date for compliance.
2. Direct or indirect connection between the public water system and a sewer line.
3. Unprotected direct or indirect connection between the public water system and an auxiliary water system.

All the above termination criteria shall use common sense in administering the above termination procedures. In cases of termination, said termination shall remain in effect until corrections or violations have been approved by the McKinney Water District. Water users shall pay disconnect and reconnect fees of \$50.00 each or the actual cost whichever is greater, as well as any administrative fees incurred due to the ordinance violation. Additional monitoring and/or compliance enforcement will be billed at actual cost. In the case of “Refusal to install or to test a backflow prevention assembly, or to repair a faulty device” within the parameters of the program, a ten (10) day notice by certified mail will be provided to the water user before termination.

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This Ordinance shall supersede all previous Cross-Connection Control Ordinances and shall take effect thirty (30) days from the date of adoption.

Said ordinance shall be published in a local newspaper of general circulation within 15 days after adoption.

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I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Ordinance duly adopted and passed by the Board of Directors of the McKinney Water District, Placer and El Dorado Counties, California at a meeting held on the 22 day of January 2016 by the following vote;

AYES: Directors, A. Ballard, T. Waters, M. Holiday, J. Swartfager  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None

McKinney Water District

APPROVED:

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Annie Ballard

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