

82a-711a. Same; express conditions of appropriations. It shall be an express condition of each appropriation of surface or ground water that the right of the appropriator shall relate to a specific quantity of water and that such right must allow for a reasonable raising or lowering of the static water level and for the reasonable increase or decrease of the streamflow at the appropriator's point of diversion:*Provided*, That in determining such reasonable raising or lowering of the static water level in a particular area, the chief engineer shall consider the economics of diverting or pumping water for the water uses involved; and nothing herein shall be construed to prevent the granting of permits to applicants later in time on the ground that the diversions under such proposed later appropriations may cause the water level to be raised or lowered at the point of diversion of a prior appropriator, so long as the rights of holders of existing water rights can be satisfied under such express conditions.

History: L. 1957, ch. 539, § 17; June 29.