

Authorized Pits Flow Chart

Before July 1, 2025, under SWD 8(d)(4), the following types of pits were authorized: reserve, mud circulation, completion/workover, fresh makeup water, fresh mining water, water condensate, non-commercial fluid recycling, basic sediment, and flare pits.

Starting July 1, 2025, under Chapter 4, Section 4.113, the following pits will be classified as Schedule A authorized pits that require registration: reserve, mud circulation, completion/workover, makeup water (previously referred to as fresh makeup water), fresh mining water, and water condensate. Existing pits must either be registered or closed by July 1, 2026, while new ones must be registered before use.

Existing non-commercial fluid recycling pits will fall under Schedule B as authorized pits, which require registration and financial assurance as produced water recycling pits or must be closed by January 1, 2026. Newly produced water recycling pits must also be registered before use.

Basic sediment and flare pits are no longer authorized; they must be closed or permitted by July 1, 2026.