

**WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT  
CHAPTER 690  
DIVISION 210  
WELL CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS**

**APPENDIX 210-3**

I. Recommended Methods of Placement of Cement Grout

Method A - The well bore shall be plugged with a drillable plug or bridge at the lowest point to be sealed. A well casing with a float shoe at its lower end shall be placed in the well and suspended slightly above the point of bearing. A grout pipe shall be run inside the casing to the check valve. The grout pipe shall be connected to a suitable pump and water or drilling fluid shall first be circulated to clear the annular space. Grout shall be pumped through the grout pipe until clean grout completely fills the interval to be sealed. The grout pipe shall then be removed and the cement allowed to set. (See Figure 210-1)

Method B - Grout shall be placed by pumping or air pressure injection through a grout pipe installed inside the casing from the casing head to a point five (5) feet above the bottom of the casing. The grout pipe shall extend through an airtight sealed cap on the head of the well casing. The casing head shall be equipped with a relief valve and the grout pipe shall be equipped at the top with a valve permitting injection. The lower end of the grout pipe and the casing shall be open. Clean water shall be injected down the grout pipe until it returns through the casing head's relief valve. The relief valve is then closed and injection of water is continued to clean the hole until it flows from the bore hole outside the casing that is to be grouted in place. Without significant interruption, grout shall be substituted to water and, in a continuous manner, injected down the grout pipe until it returns to the surface outside of the casing. A small amount of water may be used to flush the grout pipe, but the pressure should remain constant on the inside of the grout pipe and the inside of the casing until the grout has set. Pressure shall be maintained for at least twenty-four (24) hours, or until such time as a sample of the grout indicates a satisfactory set. Cement grout shall be used for this procedure with a minimum annular space of one (1) inch completely surrounding the casing. (See Figure 210-1)

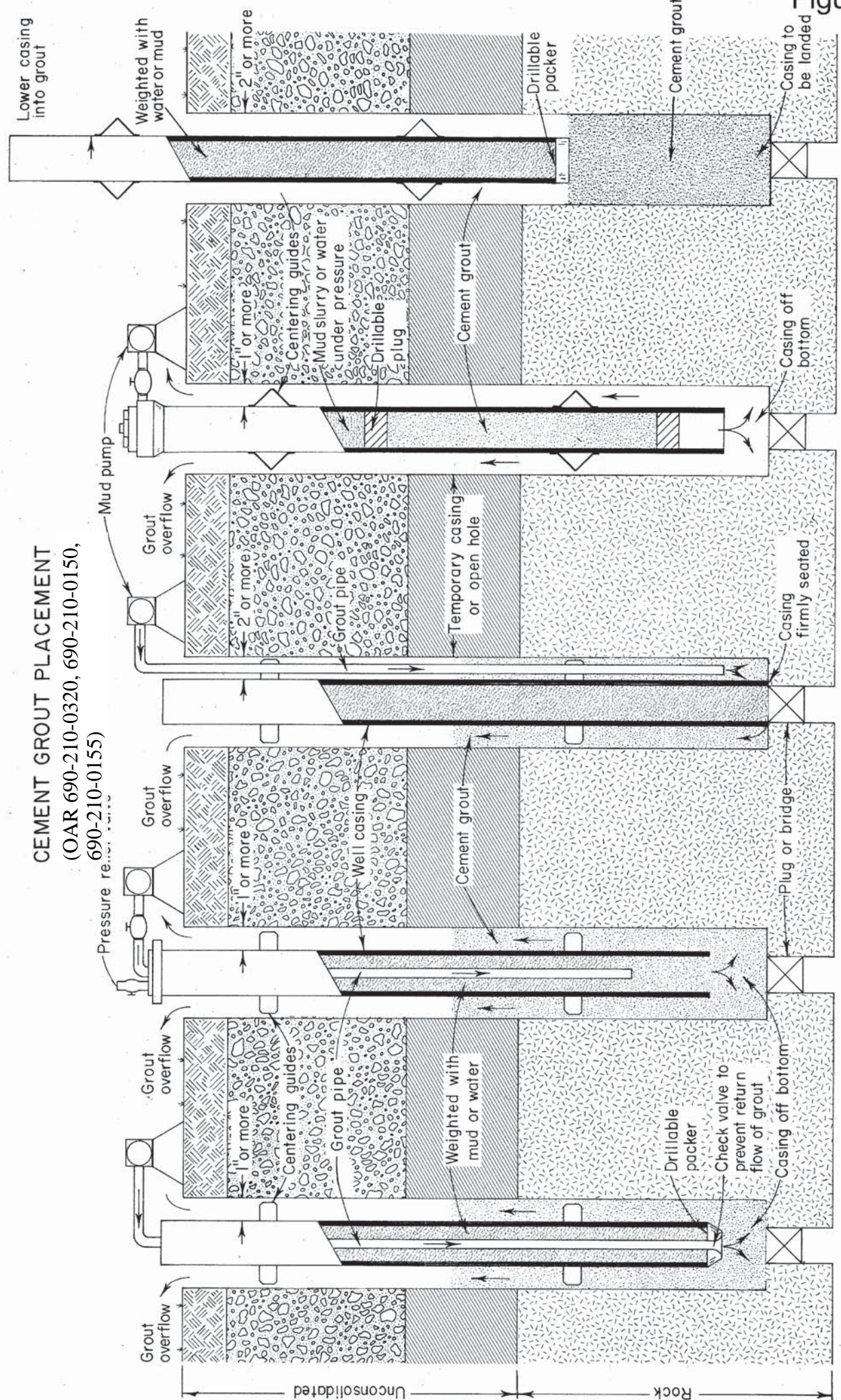
Method C - The well bore shall be plugged with a drillable plug or bridge at the lowest point to be sealed. The well casing shall be firmly seated at the bottom of the drillhole. A grout pipe shall be run to the bottom of the hole through the annular space between the casing and the well bore. After water or any other drilling fluid has been circulated in the annular space sufficiently to clear obstructions, the grout pipe shall be connected to a suitable pump and grout shall be pumped through the grout pipe until clean grout is circulated to land surface, or until grout completely fills the interval to be sealed. The lower end of the grout pipe shall remain submerged in grout while grout is being placed. The grout pipe shall be withdrawn before the initial set of the grout. (See Figure 210-1)

Method D - The well bore shall be plugged with a drillable plug or bridge at the lowest point to

be sealed. After the casing is run and landed, a casing plug, having a length greater than the diameter of the casing, shall be placed in the casing. If the drillhole is free of mud or water, this lower separation plug may be eliminated. A measured amount of cement grout necessary to completely fill the annular space of the interval to be grouted is pumped or placed by bailer in the casing. A second casing plug, having a length greater than the diameter of the casing, shall be placed in the casing above the grout. The casing shall then be capped with a pressure cap and shut-off valve, and shall be connected to a suitable pump. The casing shall then be raised far enough above the point of bearing to clear the first separation plug. Water or drilling mud shall then be pumped under pressure into the casing forcing the grout and upper casing plug down the casing. The position of the plug must be known at all times. A small amount of grout may remain in the lower end of the casing. When the plug reaches the point desired above the bottom of the casing, the pump shall be stopped and the casing seated. (See Figure 210-1)

Method E - The well bore shall be plugged with a drillable plug or bridge at the lowest point to be sealed. A sufficient amount of cement grout to completely fill the interval of the well to be sealed shall be placed at the bottom of the drillhole by pump bailer or grout pipe. The well casing shall have centering guides attached at appropriate intervals to keep the casing centered in the bore hole. The bottom of the well casing shall be fitted with a tight drillable plug and shall be lowered into the drillhole forcing the grout upward into the annular space. Gravity installation without the aid of a grout pipe shall not be used. In no instance shall this method be used deeper than thirty (30) feet and in no case for a municipal, community, or public water supply well. (See Figure 210-1)

**CEMENT GROUT PLACEMENT**  
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METHOD A  
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 METHOD C  
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 METHOD E

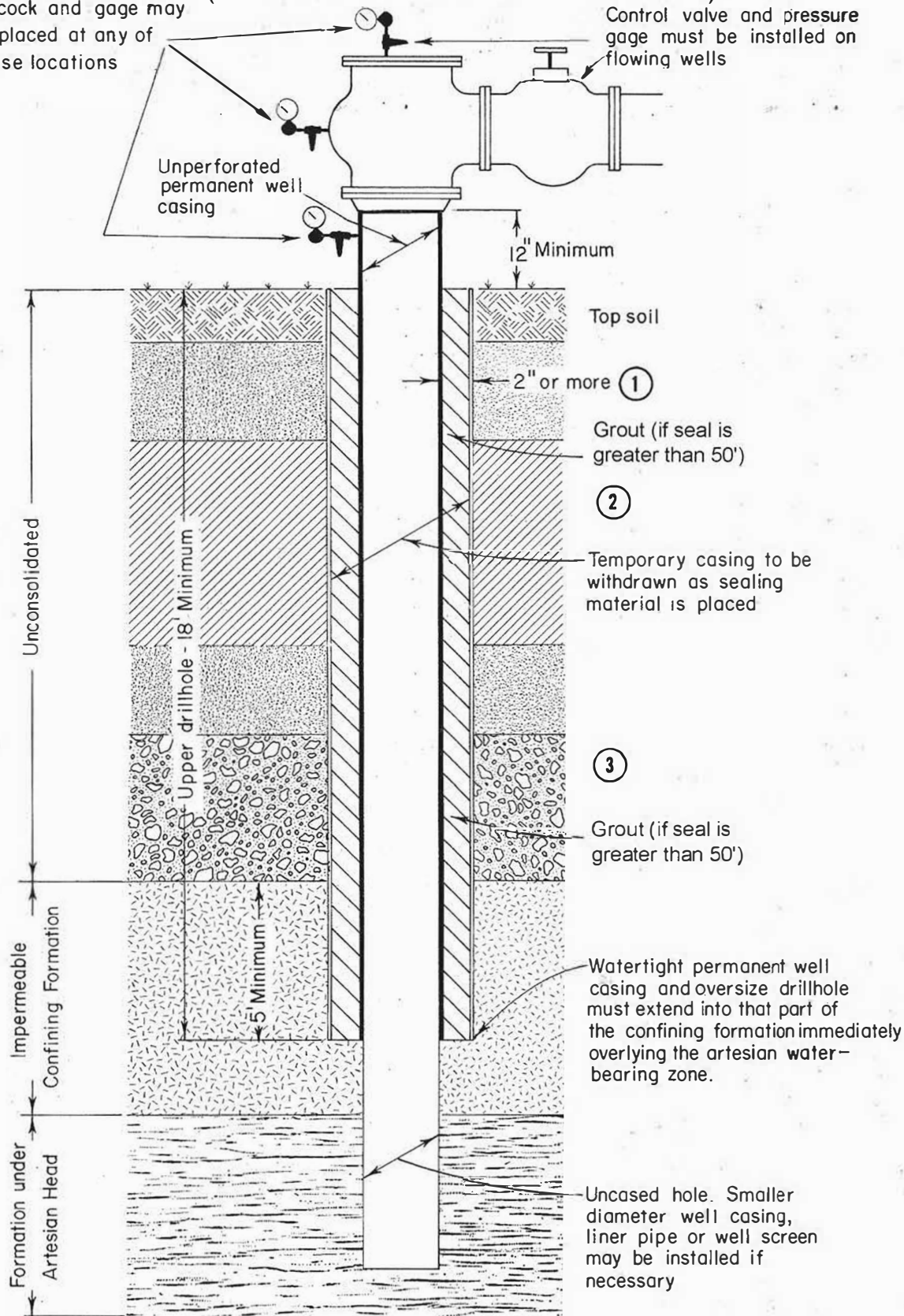
# SEALING OF AN ARTESIAN WELL

Figure 210-7

(OAR 690-210-0155 and OAR 690-215-0070)

NOTE:  
Petcock and gage may  
be placed at any of  
these locations

Control valve and pressure  
gage must be installed on  
flowing wells



- ① 1" or more if cement grout is placed by grouting method A, B, or D. Annular sealing space requirements are based on nominal casing sizes.
- ② Well must not be constructed in a manner that will allow water from an artesian zone to commingle with other confined or unconfined water-bearing zones.
- ③ Must be completed with the seals, packers, or casing necessary to eliminate subsurface or surface leakage.