

WELLHEAD PROTECTION

Cost-Share Rate: 50%

Maximum Payment: \$500

Purpose:

- To reduce the risk of contamination of well water by implementing proper construction and maintenance practices and safeguards for existing wells.

Eligibility:

- Must complete the Clean Water Program Worksheet for Septic Systems and Wells.

Eligible Projects:

- Installing pitless adapter to replace drilled well pits
- Grading and permanently seeding soil surface around well
- Sealing annular space around well casing
- Upgrading or replacement of dilapidated casing
- Extending well casing to 16 inches (40 cm) above finished level
- Proper well head caps
- Landscaping to divert water away from well head

Project Details:

- Landowners are encouraged to hire a licensed contractor to do the work. If the work involves any alteration to the well it must be done by a licensed well contractor according to Ontario Regulation 903.

Eligible Costs:

- Licensed contractor fees
- Materials and labour (other than applicant's or applicant's dependent family)
- Wiring and plumbing costs associated with well upgrades
- Baseline water quality tests

Ineligible Costs:

- Well pumps
- Water purification or treatment systems
- Drilling of new wells
- Labour and machinery use of the applicant, family dependents and the applicant's business
- Wellhead upgrades where municipal water supply is available
- Connections to municipal water supply