

# Plugging/Decommissioning (Unused) Wells

**Project Intent:** To improve or protect groundwater/safeguard groundwater by plugging/sealing abandoned or dormant wells.

## Eligible Project Activities/Components

- ▶ Proper plugging of unused wells (dug, bored or drilled) by a licensed well contractor
- ▶ Plugging of well which demonstrates a potential impact on ground water quality

## Technical Details/Considerations

- ▶ Must comply with Ontario Ministry of Environment (MOE) *Ontario Regulation 128* procedures for plugging or abandoning an unused water well. Details of the procedure must be documented on a record and a copy submitted upon completion to the program representative
- ▶ Work must be completed by a well contractor licensed under the *Ontario Water Resources Act*
- ▶ The system must meet the requirements of all applicable laws and by-laws
- ▶ EFP and Farm Business Registration Number are required for farmers
- ▶ For non-farmers, a Healthy Home Guide must be completed

## Eligible Costs

- ▶ Licensed contractor fees
- ▶ Any labour or materials associated with proper well plugging procedures

## Ineligible Costs

- ▶ Labour and machinery use of the applicant, family dependents and the applicant's business
- ▶ Tax (HST)
- ▶ Drilling NEW WELLS

It is the applicant's responsibility to meet all municipal, provincial and/or federal regulatory or legal requirements

Questions? Contact the RVCA's LandOwner Resource Centre  
613 692 3571 or 1 800 267-3504  
extension 1128 or 1132

# Rideau Valley Rural Clean Water Program

Maximum Cost Share Available:

**75%**  
or 25% if  
EFP top-up applies

Maximum Grant:

**\$1,000**



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