

# Well Head Protection/ Well Upgrade

**Project Intent:** To improve/protect groundwater by improving construction and maintenance of existing private wells.

## Eligible Project/Activities

- ▶ Well protection projects on existing private wells ONLY
- ▶ Installation of pitless adapter to replace drilled well pits
- ▶ Grading and permanently seeding soil surface around well
- ▶ Extension of well casing to a minimum of 16 inches (40 cm) above finished ground level
- ▶ Proper well head caps
- ▶ Water testing

## Technical Details/Considerations

- ▶ Work must be completed by a licensed well contractor according to *Ontario Regulation 128*
- ▶ Work must meet the requirements of all applicable laws and by-laws
- ▶ Proof of groundwater quality impairment i.e., well test results may be required before funding can be considered (priority will be given to problem sites)
- ▶ Healthy Home Guide must be completed
- ▶ Farmers who have completed a 3<sup>rd</sup> edition Environmental Farm Plan (EFP) and possess a Farm Business Registration Number (FBR) and rural non-farmers who have completed a Healthy Home Guide, may be eligible for funding.

## Eligible Costs

- ▶ Licensed contractor fees
- ▶ Any contracted labour or purchased materials associated with wellhead protection procedures
- ▶ Wiring and plumbing costs associated with well upgrades
- ▶ Baseline water quality test

## Ineligible Costs

- ▶ Labour and machinery use of the applicant, family dependants and the applicant's business
- ▶ Water purification or treatment systems
- ▶ Pumps, tanks, pressure systems, electrical connections and plumbing within the building
- ▶ Drilling of NEW WELLS
- ▶ Tax (HST)

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

Note: Projects completed prior to contacting the LandOwner Resource Centre will not be eligible for funding.

# Rideau Valley Rural Clean Water Program

Maximum Cost Share Available:

# 50%

Maximum Grant:

# \$500



**TOMLINSON**