

Plugging/Decommissioning (Unused) Wells

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

Eligible Project 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
- An Environmental Farm Plan (third edition or newer) or a Healthy Home Guide (for non-farm rural landowners) is required.

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.

Maximum Cost Share Available 90%

Maximum Grant \$1,000

Questions? Contact RVCA at 613 692 3571 or 1 800 267-3504.

Note: Projects completed prior to contacting RVCA will not be eligible for funding.



