

## Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) Well Sealing Program

These funds are to be used to provide assistance to well owners for the sealing of unused wells in accordance with Minnesota Rules 4725.

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| 1   | Washington County                                       | Washington        | \$ 21,000        | \$ 21,000          | Prevent Drinking Water Contamination: Prioritize and Seal Abandoned Wells            | Washington County residents rely on groundwater for 100% of their drinking water. To protect groundwater, the county proposes to seal abandoned wells that pose the greatest threat of contamination to a public drinking water supply by specifically targeting abandoned wells in DWSMA's or in areas of known contamination.   |
| 2   | Mille Lacs Soil and Water Conservation District         | Mille Lacs        | \$ 43,100        | \$ 43,100          | Groundwater Protection of Highly Vulnerable Drinking Water - Sealing Abandoned Wells | Mille Lacs County residents rely on groundwater for 100% of their drinking water. As part of an effort to target sources of nitrate contamination in local groundwater, assistance will be provided to seal abandoned wells if they are 1) located specifically within drinking Water Management Safety Areas (DWSMAs), or 2) within the same aquifer and within one mile of a municipal community public water supply well, or 3) are a large diameter well located within an area identified as highly vulnerable to groundwater contamination within the local water plan. |
| 3   | Rice County Environmental Services                      | Rice              | \$ 10,900        | \$ 10,900          | Targeted Cost-Share Well Sealing in Rice County DWSMAs                               | The purpose of this project is to provide cost-share well sealing funds to target sealing of unused wells located in highly vulnerable areas within both the City of Faribault, and the City of Northfield's DWSMAs, and other vulnerable areas of Rice County.   |
| 4   | Yellow Medicine County                                  | Yellow Medicine   | \$ 8,500         | \$ 8,500           | Yellow Medicine County Abandoned Well Sealing  | Yellow Medicine County will offer cost share to landowners to seal abandoned wells in an effort to protect the groundwater and our drinking water supply.   |
| 5   | Crow Wing County  | Crow Wing         | \$ 20,905        | \$ 20,905          | Establishment of a Well Sealing Program in Crow Wing County                          | Crow Wing County, in cooperation with the municipalities within the County, plans to establish a well sealing program. Priority will be given to wells located within the existing wellhead protection areas / drinking water supply management areas (DWSMAs).   |
| 6   | Mahnomen & Norman Soil and Water Conservation Districts | Mahnomen & Norman | \$ 13,720        | \$ 13,720          | Norman and Mahnomen County Well Sealing Project                                      | In Norman and Mahnomen Counties under normal circumstances the surface water will not naturally degrade our deep groundwater resources, based on the Lower Red River Regional Hydrologic Assessment. Abandoned wells are the only contamination conduit to our deep groundwater resources. Sealing abandoned wells through cost share with landowners, will protect our groundwater resources from surface contamination.   |

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| 7   | Martin County  | Martin    | \$ 10,250        | \$ 10,250          | Protecting Groundwater with Well Sealing in Martin County | Landowners that are removing a farmstead will be the first eligible for this well sealing grant. Also, abandoned wells in the middle of farm fields that have not been properly sealed will be a high priority.  |
| 8   | Big Stone Soil and Water Conservation District       | Big Stone | \$ 6,200         | \$ 6,200           | Well sealing and management goals for Big Stone County.   | One of the priorities of Big Stone County is to protect and preserve the county's water resources by closing and sealing off all existing un used wells in the county. This goal will be accomplished by receiving funds through the Clean Water Act to help with cost-share reimbursement fees to land owners of un used wells making it more encouraging or customers to seal their well(s). |
| 9   | Hennepin County Department of Environmental Services | Hennepin  | \$ 42,000        | \$ 42,000          | Hennepin County Cost-Sharing Well Sealing Program         | The Well Sealing Program helps well applicant/owners offset the expenses associated with permanently sealing their well/s. Wells are sealed to protect groundwater and reduce the potential threat to the health and safety of Hennepin County residents posed by contaminated groundwater.  |