

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF *ABANDONED WELL SEALING* COST-SHARE AGREEMENT



APPLICANTS INFO: (please print)

Name: _____

Address: _____
City
State
Zip

ABANDONED WELL INFO:

Location: _____
Section
Township
Range
Legal (1/4, 1/4, 1/4)

Parcel No.
Watershed Location

AGREEMENT / COMMITMENT

I (we), the undersigned, do hereby request cost-share assistance to help defray the cost of sealing an abandoned well. It is understood that:

1. Sealing must be done in accordance to the State Well Code by a licensed well sealer.
2. It is my responsibility to contact the well sealer of my choice.
3. The county's commitment is cost-share at a rate of 50% of the total cost of the project or \$400 whichever is less.
4. The applicant is responsible for paying the contractor for cost of sealing the well in a timely manner.
5. Cost-share will be paid directly to the homeowner/landowner.
6. The County and Soil and Water Conservation District reserve the right to complete an on-site inspection or visit of the site that is enrolled in this program.
7. The project must be completed by December 31, 20____.
8. I certify that the information given in the application and on the checklist is true to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

For Office Use:
 Date Sealed: _____ Contractor: _____ Well Record Rec./No: _____
 Total Amount of cost share: total bill \$ _____ x 50% = \$ _____ (not to exceed \$400)

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Checklist for Priority Well Selection through the Abandoned Well Cost-Share Program

(The more priority characteristics a given well meets, the higher its priority for sealing.)

Construction, depth, condition: Depth _____ Diameter _____ Type _____

- Well serves to channel surface contaminants into an aquifer (wells in pits with surface water drainage to the well).
- Well penetrates confining layers.
- Well has sand packed or un-grouted casing penetrating confining layers.
- Multi-aquifer well
- Well poses hazard of people and animals falling into well.
- Well casing is deteriorating, poor condition.
- Well has not been in use for more than a year.
- No pump in well.

Location, aquifer characteristics:

- Within ½ mile of public water supply well and in same aquifer.
- Within the zone of contribution of a public water supply well or within a designated Wellhead Protection area.
- Well provides connection to water supply aquifer for which there are limited alternative supplies.
- Well in area and aquifer where unsealed abandoned wells provide the main pathways for contamination to reach aquifer.
- Well in area which will undergo development or other changes in land and water use which have the potential to increase the contaminant load.
- Proximity to Minnesota River, Chippewa River, or Hawk Creek.
- Well is within incorporated municipalities.
- Well is located in heavily populated area.
- Well is in an area of loamy or silty and loamy soils that provide a pathway for contamination to travel faster than provided by surrounding soil types.