



**Minnesota Pollution  
Control Agency**

520 Lafayette Road North  
St. Paul, MN 55155-4194

# Local Fix-up Fund Grant Application

## Subsurface Treatment Systems Program

Clean Water Legacy Act (Minn. Stat. ch. 114D)

*Doc Type: Evaluation/Selection*



**Instructions:** The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) is seeking grant applicants to support work of the Clean Water Legacy Act (Minn. Stat. ch. 114D) in protecting groundwater and surface water from impacts resulting from the improper design and/or operation of Subsurface Treatment Systems (SSTS).

**Application due date (received in MPCA offices, not postmark date): June 22, 2012 at 4:30 p.m.**

**Please return completed grant application to:**

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## Local Fix-up Fund Grants for MPCA Funds

These grants will be awarded to counties for upgrade of eligible SSTS (Notice of Noncompliance issued; may be Imminent Threat or Failing to Protect Groundwater); grants may be awarded without a list of specific properties and may be held by the county for the duration of the grant agreement. Funds must be spent by June 30, 2014. Grants will be made in the amount of \$15,000 to \$40,000 per county based on the amount requested per county and may be reduced if the total requests exceed the funds available. Progress on work relating to the grant will be reported through Board of Water and Soil Resources' (BWSR) E-link process. Because these are Clean Water Funds, additional requirements apply.

Counties must commit with this application to follow these grant criteria when determining which SSTS is eligible for funding:

- Fix SSTS that have been deemed to be Imminent Threat to Public Health or Failing to Protect Groundwater (must have been issued Notice of Noncompliance)
- Funding only for homesteaded single-family homes or duplexes.
- Homeowner must be low income: recommend use of U.S. Department of Agriculture criteria be used - <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/SupportDocuments/MN%20GRH.pdf>.
- Recommend counties consider a sliding scale based on income.
- Clean Water criteria must be met - will be specified in grant agreement.
- Funds must be used for eligible SSTS upgrade or returned to the State if not expended by June 30, 2014.

**Other Considerations:**

- Counties may use a portion of funds for work directly related to and necessary for administering the local grants as approved in the grant award.
- Preference in awarding grants will be given to counties that administer active programs to identify and address non-compliance, and to counties with lowest average annual county income.
- Grant awards will be adjusted if the requests exceed the amount available.

## County Information

County name: \_\_\_\_\_ Watershed(s) impacted by work: \_\_\_\_\_

Local agency responsible: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount requested (from \$15,000 to \$40,000): \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Amount proposed for grant administration: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated number of upgrades that will be completed: \_\_\_\_\_

County 'triggers' to improve SSTS compliance (check all that apply):

Systematic SSTS inventory: ☐ Countywide ☐ Shoreland only

Point of sale inspections: ☐ Countywide ☐ Shoreland only

Inspection required before obtaining any local permit: ☐ Countywide ☐ Shoreland only

Average county income based on 2010 U.S. Census: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## Signature of county official responsible for grant:

*The county certifies that the appropriate person(s) have executed the grant application on behalf of the county as required by the county's applicable articles, bylaws, resolutions, or ordinances.*

Print name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date (mm/dd/yyyy): \_\_\_\_\_