



Clean Water Program Funding Guidelines 2009

GRANT RATE: up to 50% up to \$1,000 maximum

ELIGIBLE ITEMS AND PROJECT REQUIREMENTS:

- **Fertilizer and Chemical Storage/Handling**
 - Eligible items include chemical storage buildings, chemical mixing/sprayer washing structures, and fertilizer handling facilities.
 - Commercial fertilizing containers (bins) should provide adequate storage and be properly maintained to prevent spills.
 - Storage buildings must be able to contain any spills that may occur within the building. No floor drains are permitted, building must have minimum 2" (5 cm) curb at entrance, and be vented and screened to the outside atmosphere.
 - Buildings must be used exclusively for chemical storage and have appropriate warning signs.
 - Buildings and handling practices must meet or exceed legislative requirements.
- **Fuel Storage and Handling**
 - Fuel storage spill containment, including cement pads, curbs, dikes, bollards, and double wall vacuum tanks.
 - Fuel storages must meet or exceed legislative requirements. Tanks, pumps and hoses must be ULC approved.
- Applicants are responsible for obtaining all necessary municipal, provincial, and other permits and approvals that may be required for the completion of their projects.
- Applicants are encouraged to develop a spill contingency plan for their operation.

ELIGIBLE COSTS:

- Contract labour
- Materials
- Engineering fees and permit fees

INELIGIBLE COSTS:

- Purchase of single-walled fuel tanks
- Home heating fuel tanks
- Portable fuel storage tanks (e.g. truck or trailer)

INELIGIBLE COSTS (CONTINUED):

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- Labor and machinery use of the applicant, family dependents or applicant's business
- Goods and Services Tax (GST)

APPROVAL PROCESS:

Contact South Nation Conservation (SNC) to complete an application. The Clean Water Committee will review the projects and will give priority to those with the most water quality benefit. Landowners may apply for only one project, per project type, per year. Landowners may receive funding for only two projects per project type for the life of the Program. Limited funds are available.

ENVIRONMENTAL FARM PLAN (EFP)/HEALTHY HOME GUIDEBOOK REQUIREMENT:

Farm applicants are required to have a 3rd Edition EFP to receive Program funding. Farmers must provide a copy of their Letter of Review from their Ontario Soil and Crop Improvement Association (OSCIA) Program Representative, stating they have completed a peer-reviewed and approved 3rd Edition EFP. The contents of the EFP will remain confidential to the farmer.

Non-farm applicants are required to complete a Healthy Home Guidebook to receive Program funding.

Approved projects will be pre-paid by the landowner. Funding will be provided when the project is completed, inspected to the satisfaction of SNC, and when copies of **all** invoices with acceptable proof of payment, permits, and any other required paperwork are provided. Invoices must provide detailed breakdown of labour hours, quantities of materials purchased and associated costs. **Projects must be completed and paperwork submitted by December 15 of the year in which they were approved.** Payment is not guaranteed beyond this deadline.

Refer to Clean Water Program Applicant's Guide for more information on the Application Process