



# East of Hudson Septic System Rehabilitation Reimbursement Program

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## The NYC Water Supply System

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The New York City water supply system provides over one billion gallons of drinking water daily for nearly eight million City residents, as well as visitors, commuters, and approximately one million people living in Westchester, Putnam, and other upstate counties. In all, the New York City Water Supply System provides nearly half the population of New York State with high quality drinking water. In order to reliably deliver a sufficient quantity of high quality drinking water, New York City has established a variety of ongoing water quality protection efforts throughout the upstate watershed areas.

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## Septic Program Overview

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The goal of the **East of Hudson Septic System Rehabilitation Reimbursement Program** is to reduce the potential water quality impacts that may arise from failing septic systems in these Watershed Basins. In order to achieve this goal, the New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), working with the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC), will reimburse eligible property owners up to 50% of the costs to rehabilitate failing septic systems in the program areas, or to connect those systems to an existing sewage collection system.

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## How Do I Participate?

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Owners of failing septic systems serving single family or two family residences, with a design sewage flow of less than 1,000 gallons per day per family and located within the New York State portion of the Kensico Watershed, are eligible for Program funding, subject to Program rules and restrictions.

If you have had your septic system inspected by a Westchester County licensed septic contractor and have been advised that your system is not functioning properly, have received a Notice of Violation from the Westchester County Health Department on or after May 7th, 2014, or if you otherwise believe your system may be in failure, contact EFC to determine your eligibility for reimbursement under the Program.

If eligible, you will receive a Program information packet that describes the following Program steps:

- Entering into the Program Agreement
- Obtaining a licensed contractor to complete the needed repairs
- Submitting a design proposal and/or scope of work to EFC for pre-approval
- Obtaining a preliminary reimbursement estimate from EFC
- Completing the rehabilitation and submitting an application for reimbursement

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