



East of Hudson Septic System Rehabilitation Reimbursement Program

Cross River/Croton Falls

The NYC Water Supply System

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.

Septic Program Overview

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 select 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.

Am I Eligible to Receive Program Funding?

The following criteria must be met in order to receive funding:

1. Eligibility is limited to 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;
2. The home must be the applicant's primary residence;
3. Assessed property value of the residence must be at or below the median assessed value of residential homes in the municipality; and
4. Annual household income must be 400% or less of the poverty guidelines updated periodically in the Federal Register by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services under the authority of 42 U.S.C. 9902(2) (currently \$97,200 for a family of four).

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

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