

Fact Sheet

Water Well Abandonment, Repair, and Replacement Fund

What is the Water Well Abandonment, Repair, and Replacement Fund?

The Water Well Abandonment, Repair, and Replacement Fund (Fund) was authorized through the passage of HB 2145 to provide financial assistance to persons or members of a federally recognized Indian tribe in Oregon to permanently abandon, repair, or replace a water well used for household purposes.

At a Glance

Financial assistance for low to moderate income households to abandon, repair, or replace affected wells used for household purposes in areas recently impacted by drought or wildfire

Am I Eligible?

Funding is currently available for low to moderate income households in areas recently impacted by drought or wildfire. You may be eligible for funding if, (see <u>Guidance for Homeowners</u> document):

- Your household is low-to-moderate income.
- Your property is in an area recently impacted by wildfire or drought.
- You own the impacted property.
- You live at the property (unless displaced by natural disaster).
- Your well is a water supply well used for household purposes and is connected to a residential dwelling for the purpose of supplying water for drinking, cooking, washing, bathing, or household uses.
- Your well is not a public water supply well.
- Your water supply well, or components of the well system, are located in an area recently impacted by drought or wildfire whose condition is unable to supply water for drinking, cooking, washing, bathing, or household uses.
- Your property does not have an alternate source of water available.

How do I Apply?

- Read the Guidance for Homeowners document.
- Contact a <u>licensed well constructor</u> to inspect your well and obtain a cost estimate to abandon, repair or replace the well, as conditions warrant.
- Complete an application form.
- Complete an <u>Income Eligibility Form</u>
- Spanish application available soon
- Mail the application to the Oregon Water
 Resources Department. Contact us if you do not have access to a printer.

Questions?

Visit the website:

https://www.oregon.gov/owrd/programs/ GWWL/WARRF/Pages/default.aspx

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