

641—24.5 (135) Eligible grant costs. The following are annual eligible costs for which the department will reimburse participating counties:

24.5(1) Actual costs up to \$1,000 will be paid to the participating county for private water well-related training expenses, including registration, mileage, lodging, and meals for employees attending department-approved trainings.

24.5(2) Actual costs up to \$500 will be paid to the participating county for supplies related to the grants to counties program. Eligible supplies include, but are not limited to, Global Positioning System (GPS) units, private water well data software, inspection supplies, cameras, and sampling equipment.

24.5(3) Actual costs up to \$1,000 will be paid to the participating county for advertising and promotional expenses to educate county residents about the availability of funds for private water well testing, abandoned well plugging, and private water well reconstruction.

24.5(4) Actual costs will be paid to the participating county for each private water well test conducted under the program, including \$60 for administrative expenses. At a minimum, well sampling shall include analyses for total nitrate (including nitrite) and total coliform bacteria. Optional analyses may also include arsenic.

24.5(5) The total maximum reimbursement to the county for a well plugging is \$575. Actual costs up to \$500 will be paid for each abandoned private water well plugging conducted in accordance with 567—Chapter 39. The county shall directly reimburse these costs to the well owner. An administrative expense of \$75 shall be retained by the participating county. Private water well plugging must be conducted by a certified individual as defined in 567—Chapter 82 or by the well owner under direct supervision by the county.

24.5(6) The total maximum reimbursement to the county for a cistern plugging is \$375. Actual costs up to \$300 will be paid for each cistern plugging deemed by the administrative authority to impact groundwater. The county shall directly reimburse these costs to the cistern owner. An administrative expense of \$75 shall be retained by the participating county. Cistern plugging must be conducted by a certified individual as defined in 567—Chapter 82 or by the well owner under direct supervision by the county.

24.5(7) The total maximum reimbursement to the county for a well reconstruction is \$1,330. Actual costs up to \$1,000 in reconstruction costs will be paid for each reconstruction. The county shall directly reimburse these costs to the well owner. An administrative expense of 33 percent of the actual reconstruction costs will be retained by the participating county. Grant funds may be used to conduct reconstruction intended to preclude contamination due to surface water intrusion by coliform or other infectious bacteria. Examples include repairs of casing, well caps, or pitless adapters and elimination of well pits.