

NEZ PERCE TRIBE SNAKE RIVER BASIN ADJUDICATION

Individual Water & Sewer System Assistance Program

INDIVIDUAL WATER & SEWER SYSTEM ASSISTANCE

The purpose of the Individual Water & Sewer System Assistance program is to assist enrolled Nez Perce Tribal members who are in need of assistance to install, upgrade, or replace water and sewer utilities. All other alternative financial resources must be utilized, including tribal programs, other tribal entities, and the Indian Health Service.

Funds are available as part of the Snake River Basin Adjudication Settlement under the Snake River Water Rights Act of 2004 (Public Law 108-447, 118 Stat. 3431 *et seq.*). A portion of the Domestic Water Supply Fund is set aside for these purposes. Projects must not be prohibited by any state, city, or federal code. Assistance is based on availability of funds.

WATER & SEWER INSTALLATION-UPGRADE-REPLACEMENT CRITERIA

Assistance is limited to once every five years.

- 1. The homeowner must initiate the application, be an enrolled member of the Nez Perce Tribe and be the primary resident.
- 2. The home must be within the 1863 reservation boundaries.
- 3. A complete application will include:
 - a. Application
 - b. A minimum of two bids from qualified, licensed contractors
 - c. A written denial from the Indian Health Service
 - d. A copy of a current and valid homeowner's lease
 - e. A referral through the Water Resources Division of the Nez Perce Tribe
 - f. A copy of the primary resident's tribal identification card

MAINTENANCE CRITERIA

- 1. The tenant must initiate the application, be an enrolled member of the Nez Perce Tribe, and be the primary resident.
- 2. The home must be a single family dwelling (no apartment buildings or duplexes) on or within 60 miles of the 1863 reservation boundaries.
- 3. A complete application will include:
 - a. Application
 - b. Verification of residency such as a rent receipt or utility bill
 - c. A copy of the primary resident's tribal identification card

STAFFING

Staff will diligently track their time spent researching information related to individual water & sewer system requests. The homeowner will not be liable for these costs, however, it will be considered a reimbursement cost of this fund. Reimbursements area based on availability of funds.



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APPLICATION FORM													
Client Name:													
Physical Address:													
City:	City:					State	:						
Mail	ing Add	ress:											
City:	:					State:			Zip:				
Email Address:													
Nez	Perce T	ribe Enr	ollment Number:				Client Type	: 🗆	Homeowner Tenant				
Tele	phone:				Cell	/Messa	ige Phone:						
				SERVI	CE RE	QUEST	-						
Water & Sewer Installation/Upgrade/Replacement Maintenance (i.e., shower, kitchen sink, etc.)													
Indian Health Service Denial Letter							Copy of the Primary Resident's Tribal Identification Card						
Two Contractor's Quotes						☐ Verification of Residency							
Copy of Homeowner's Lease													
Copy of the Primary Resident's Tribal Identification Card													
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT													
	I certify that the information given herein is true and complete and that the physical address listed above is my primary												
	residence—I am currently living in the home for which I am applying for assistance. I understand that I could be denied assistance under the SRBA Individual Water & Sewer System Assistance Program (IWSSAP) if I provide false or misleading information. I												
acknowledge that the Nez Perce Tribe SRBA IWSSAP, as a general guideline, applies priority according to the level of urgency for													
services and the order in which applications are received. Special consideration for elderly and disabled applicants, as well as extenuating medical circumstances that require immediate assistance may also apply.													
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Please select all services for which you are applying. Please describe the project with as much detail as possible for services that are not listed.
Installation, upgrade or replacement of Water or Sewer Systems
Water heater repair/replacement
Well maintenance
Water pipe repair
Septic pumping
General construction or carpentry work that is required to repair household fixtures that have been directly impacted by the malfunction of domestic water or septic systems (i.e., base foundation for kitchen sink, subfloor, painting, mold remediation, etc.).
General construction or carpentry work that is required to upgrade household fixtures due to extenuating medical circumstances that require special accommodations (i.e., walk-in showers, raised toilets, installation of shower grab bars, etc.)
General construction or carpentry work that is required to upgrade outdated household fixtures that is directly related to domestic water systems (i.e., kitchen sink, toilet, shower, etc.).
Other: