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Environmental Quality accepting applications for Septic Renovation Initiative

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality is accepting applications for the Septic Renovation Water Quality Initiative, a funding opportunity designed to support water quality improvements through the renovation of failing septic systems.

This initiative provides a targeted, practice-based approach to reducing nonpoint source pollution loading to surface and groundwater, helping address water quality issues such as harmful algal blooms and bacterial contamination.

Eligible applicants include non-federal entities such as local governments, joint powers boards, or nonprofit organizations. Applicants will specify a local project area to provide rebates to individual property owners for renovating their failing septic systems.

Please visit the [Nonpoint Source Pollution Management Program webpage](#) for more information about the Septic Renovation Water Quality Initiative, program guidelines, and the necessary application materials.

Applications can be mailed to the Division of Water Quality, 4201 Normandy Street, Bismarck, ND 58503-1324 Attn: NPS Management Program or emailed to DEQ-NPS@nd.gov. The application deadline is Wednesday Sept. 30, 2026 at 5 p.m. CDT.

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