

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 reimbursable cost of this fund. Reimbursements are based on availability of funds.

Administrative Action #2 (12/12/17)

Nez Perce Tribe SRBA Individual Water & Sewer System Assistance Application

Homeowner/Tenant _____

Email Address: _____ Enrollment #: _____

Mailing Address _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone _____ Cell/Message Phone: _____

Homeowner/Tenant Signature

Date

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION:

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- _____ Indian Health Service Denial Letter
- _____ Two Contractor's Quotes
- _____ Copy of Homeowner's Lease
- _____ Copy of the Primary Resident's Tribal Identification Card

MAINTENANCE CRITERIA

- _____ Copy of the Primary Resident's Tribal Identification Card
- _____ Verification of Residency

Nez Perce Tribe SRBA Program Fund

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Nez Perce Tribe SRBA Individual Water & Sewer System Assistance Application

Please describe the project with as much detail as possible and indicate the type of services needed (installation, upgrade, or replace of water and/or sewer systems OR maintenance services such as water heater repair/replacement, well maintenance, water pipe repair, septic pumping, etc.):