



SSTS Imminent Health Threat Abatement Grant

Cass County ESD



Clean Water Funds: 2010

Clean Water Grant	\$45,000
AgBMP Loans	\$0
Leveraged Funds*	\$8,000
Total Project Budget	\$53,000

* Leveraged Funds include required match.

Targeted Water:

Cass Lake and Boy River a tributary of Leech Lake

Project Sponsor:

Cass County ESD

Partners:

Property owner, septic contractor & Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe

Grant Period:

January 2010—December 2011

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Project Narrative

This project helped 62 landowners within Cass County ESD replace previously identified Imminent Health Threat (IHT) Subsurface Sewage Treatment (Septic) Systems. Imminent Health Threat systems are those that are discharging improperly treated human waste onto the ground surface or into surface waters. In addition to the potential water quality impacts, untreated sewage has the potential to introduce bacteria and viruses into the environment. When IHT systems are identified, county or city staff will work with the homeowners on the process required to bring their systems into compliance with the septic ordinance. Low-income households are eligible for grant assistance from the Clean Water Fund to solve Sub-Surface Treatment Systems identified as Imminent Health Threats because of surface discharge or direct connection to surface waters.

