

Upcoming Opportunity: PFAS Community Grants Sampling Program Cycle A

The PFAS laws (Acts [200](#) and [201](#)) released approximately \$133 million from the PFAS Trust Fund to the DNR to implement grant programs and take other actions to help address PFAS contamination. This factsheet summarizes preliminary information about the PFAS Community Grants Sampling Program.

Eligible Applicants for Cycle A

- Counties, cities, villages or towns
- Tribal governing bodies
- Utility or sewerage districts
- Lake protection districts
- Technical college districts

Costs Eligible for Cycle A Grant Funding

- Sampling private wells.
- Sampling public water supplies at eligible schools and child care facilities.
- Sampling wastewater or other eligible materials at facilities such as treatment plants.
- Administrative costs for implementation.

Timeline for Cycle A: October 2026 – April 2027

- Grant funding will be issued in the order in which the DNR receives completed applications.
- The DNR expects additional grant funding cycles will be available. There may be financial assistance opportunities to address exceedances.
- Applicants may submit multiple grant applications per cycle and may apply in multiple grant cycles.
- Application materials will be available on the DNR website and submitted to **DNRPFASGrants@wisconsin.gov**.

Cost Requirements for Cycle A

- A minimum 20% cost match is required (there are many ways to meet the match requirement).
- There is no maximum per-sample cost.
- Grant payments will be made on a reimbursement basis.

Data Requirements for Cycle A

- Samples must be analyzed by [a laboratory certified to test for PFAS](#) using required methods.
- Sampling data must be shared with DNR. More information will be available in the application process.
- Grant recipients must notify well owners of sample analysis results.

Preview of Required Application Materials for Cycle A

- A federal Unique Entity Identifier (UEI). Visit [SAM.gov](#) for more information.
- Information about the private wells, child care facilities, and/or schools where sampling is proposed.
- Copies of documentation including:
 - ▶ An authorizing ordinance or resolution to enter into a financial assistance agreement with DNR.
 - ▶ Any health advisories issued for PFAS exceedances in the sampling area.
 - ▶ Notification letters sent to any overlapping municipalities where sampling is proposed.
 - ▶ Signed access agreements executed between affected private well owners and the applicant.

Coming Soon

- The full Sampling Program Guidance and application instructions.
- The Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) with details about required sampling methods and processes.
- Additional technical resources, including informational webinars.



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