



How to apply

Landowners have completed more than 950 projects to protect water quality in Huron County, thanks to the county's Clean Water Project. Huron County residents can receive up to 50 per cent funding for voluntary projects that are approved by a local review committee.

The Huron County Clean Water Project is delivered by the Ausable Bayfield and Maitland Valley Conservation Authorities. For information on how the Huron County Clean Water Project can help you protect and enhance water quality visit abca.on.ca or mvca.on.ca or huroncounty.ca or call telephone numbers in this brochure.



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How to contact us

To apply for funding call:

Maitland Valley Conservation Authority
519-335-3557

Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority
519-235-2610

Toll-free: **1-888-286-2610**



Helping you
protect local water quality ...

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The Huron County Clean Water Project provides financial and technical assistance to county residents to improve and protect water quality in Huron County.

The project is funded by the County of Huron and delivered by the Ausable Bayfield and Maitland Valley Conservation Authorities.

Funding assistance covers **up to 50% of the costs** of eligible projects and can be combined with other cost-share programs.

**Funding is limited
– so call today!**



YOU CAN HELP KEEP HURON'S WATER CLEAN . . .

Projects Eligible for Funding	Maximum Grant
Erosion Control – Grassed waterways, catch basins, terraces and berms to reduce soil and riparian erosion.	\$5,000
Special Projects – Innovative projects that demonstrate improved water quality and/or are accessible to the public.	\$5,000
Clean Water Diversion – Berms and eavestroughs to divert clean water from manure and exercise yards.	\$3,000
Livestock Fencing – Fences, crossings and watering devices to eliminate watercourse livestock access.	\$3,000
Manure Storage Decommissioning – Properly decommissioning manure storage facilities to prevent water contamination.	\$3,000
Community Projects – Stewardship and education projects by community groups.	\$3,000
Fragile Land Retirement – Planting trees and shrubs on erosion-prone land. Buffer strips along watercourses.	\$2,000
Wellhead Protection – Pitless adapters, proper caps, grading, sealing and upgrading well casings to prevent contamination.	\$750
Well Decommissioning – Properly decommissioning abandoned wells to eliminate the link between surface and ground water.	\$750
Stewardship Guide Implementation – Water quality improvement projects to implement action plans identified in the Lake Huron Coastline or Rural Landowner Stewardship Guides.	\$500

Your success to date

Huron County citizens are leaders in water quality improvement by completing more than 950 projects in the first four years of the program.

Highlights include:

- Fencing cattle out of 18 kilometres of streams
- Planting 85 hectares of trees
- Establishing 49 kilometres of windbreaks.

Groundwater is protected by upgrading 221 faulty private wells and eliminating the link to the aquifer by decommissioning 217 unused wells.

Fixing individual sources of pollution contributes to a healthy environment and community.



Water quality education at Huron Agriculture and Water Festival (at left) and tree planting (at right) are among the protective activities that have been made possible by Huron County's Clean Water Project.



The Huron County Clean Water Project is one of the most successful on-the-ground water quality improvement projects in Ontario. Funding from the County of Huron is combined with other cost-share programs and landowner contributions. The projects have had a total value of more than \$3.2 million. That's good for the environment and good for the economy.