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Managing Northern Kentucky's
Wastewater and Storm Water



Frequently Asked Questions

Private Drainage Cost-Share Program

What is SD1's Private Drainage Cost-Share Program?

Although SD1 and city/county co-permittees have a vested interest in storm water management, some drainage issues and flooding are private property issues, as storm water run-off does not recognize jurisdictional and property boundaries. In these circumstances the source of the storm water runoff is primarily from private property and causes issues to other private property. SD1 allocates funding through the storm water assistance cost-share program to help communities address such storm water issues. Only co-permittees can participate in the program.

Who may apply to participate?

All SD1 co-permittees are eligible to participate in the Private Drainage Cost-Share Program. Property owners who experience drainage issues or flooding must contact their city to request participation. The intent of the program is to form a partnership between SD1, co-permittees and property owners in a three-way cost split to address private property drainage issues. SD1 will enter into an agreement only with the city. The amount of funding available for this program is determined each fiscal year as part of SD1's budgeting process.

How can my agency apply?

Applications are available at www.sd1.org under documents and forms tab under "storm water" and "miscellaneous forms." You may also request an application by contacting SD1 Senior Manager Sean Blake by phone at 859-578-7468 or by email at sblake@sd1.org. To submit an application, email the completed form to sblake@sd1.org or mail it to: Sanitation District No. 1, Attention: Sean Blake, 1045 Eaton Drive, Ft. Wright, KY 41017.

How are private cost-share projects prioritized?

In general, projects are funded on a first-come, first-served basis while funds are available. Only private property drainage issue projects will be considered for funding under this program.

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When is funding released for approved projects?

SD1 currently provides funding as a reimbursement for up to one-third (33.3%) of the project costs. To receive approved funding, participants must enter into an agreement with SD1 and the project must begin within 12 months of the application's approval. Throughout construction, SD1 will inspect project improvements to ensure they meet specifications. Upon completion of the project, participants must submit a request for reimbursement that includes copies of invoices and payment receipts.

Upon completion, who is responsible for the new improvement project?

SD1 shall not own or be responsible for the maintenance of the new improvement project. SD1 is simply providing additional funding for the project. It will remain a private system.

Who should I contact with questions?

If you have any questions regarding this program, please contact Sean Blake by phone at 859-578-7468 or by email at sblake@sd1.org Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Thank you for your cooperation and support as we work together to protect public health, property and the environment by providing reliable wastewater and storm water services.