

INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE

APPLICATION PACKAGE

FOR

SANITATION FACILITIES

P.L. 86-121

This package is separated into four sections. Please review each section before you complete the application. Section I discusses the application procedure and eligibility to receive sanitation facilities (well, septic tank, hook up to a community water or sewer system, etc.). Section II is the application. Make sure to answer all questions. Incomplete applications will be returned to the homeowner. Section III is a list of telephone numbers that you may find helpful. Also included are the Fort Belknap THPO Cultural Clearance and Prairie Mountain Utilities Deposit Payment Agreement that need to be signed and returned along with this application.

SECTION I
APPLICATION PROCEDURE
FOR
INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE ASSISTANCE

1. To be eligible for sanitation facilities under P.L. 86-121, a person must be a member of a federally recognized Native American Tribe and meet one or two following criteria:

- a.) Building a new home or moving a mobile home onto a homesite.
- b.) Substantial renovation of an existing home through HIP or by own Financial means. Renovation includes the following: room additions, bathrooms additions, etc. Weatherizations do not qualify. If you have any questions contact the Tribal Engineer for more details.

If you do not meet the above criteria, please contact the Tribal Engineer to see if you qualify for any other type of funding.

2. Complete the application located in Section II and return the application to the Fort Belknap SFC Office.

The applicant must have proof that she/he can occupy the land in which the sanitation facilities will be installed. The following items will be considered proof:

- a.) If you own land-attach a copy of the deed to the application.
- b.) If the land is allotted to you-attach a letter from the BIA Reality indicating you have the right to construct a homesite on the land to the application.
- c.) Leased tribal land-attach a copy of your homesite lease to the application.

Incomplete applications will be returned to the applicant, which may cause delays in receiving sanitation facilities.

3. Complete the Individual Agreement located in Section II and return it with the Application. No services will start until this document is received.

The Fort Belknap SFC Office reviews the applications and will visit the homesite to determine if the site is feasible for sanitation facilities. If you would like to be present at this time, please indicate on the application. **It generally takes six (6) months to one (1) year from this point to receive facilities.**

4. During the waiting period the homeowner must complete the following to receive sanitation facilities.

GUIDELINES FOR A MOBILE HOME

- I. Prior to well drilling the following must be completed by the homeowner:
 - a.) The applicant must have the homesite surveyed and staked. A copy of the survey must be sent to the Tribal Field Engineer.
 - b.) Electric power must be on site or a commitment, in writing, made by the power company to provide electricity once water is on site.
 - c.) The mobile home site must be cleared and leveled.
 - d.) An adequate drive approach must be constructed to the mobile home site to allow construction equipment to access the site.
 - e.) Fort Belknap THPO Cultural Clearance
- II. The homeowner will have to do the following once the well is drilled. Once complete, IHS can install the water pressure system and septic system.
 - a.) The mobile home must be moved on site, blocked, anchored, and skirted.
 - b.) The mobile home must have adequate interior plumbing with no leaks.
 - c.) The mobile home must have an adequate 24 hour heating system.
- III. If the well is dry, the homeowner can choose one of the following options:
 - a.) Obtain another homesite.
 - b.) If a spring exists on your property, a spring may be developed for Domestic use. The spring must be within 500 feet of the home. Also springs have a tendency to dry up in the late summer. Spring developments require more operation and maintenance by the homeowner.
 - c.) Install a cistern to hold water, which must be hauled by the homeowner.

GUIDELINES FOR A HOUSE

- I. Prior to well drilling the following must be completed by the homeowner:
 - a.) The applicant must have the homesite surveyed and staked. A copy of the survey must be sent to the Tribal Engineer.
 - b.) Electric power must be on site or a commitment, in writing, made by the power company to provide electricity once water is on site.
 - c.) The home site must be cleared and leveled.

- d.) An adequate drive approach must be constructed to the home site to allow construction equipment to access the site.
 - e.) The footings/foundation must be completed.
 - f.) Fort Belknap THPO Cultural Clearance.
- II. The Homeowner will have four months to complete the following items after the well has been drilled. Once items are complete, Fort Belknap SFC can install the water pressure system and septic system.
- a.) The home must have completed exterior walls, roof, floors, doors, windows, and insulation.
 - b.) The home must have adequate interior plumbing with no leaks.
 - c.) The home must have an adequate 24 hour heating system.
 - d.) The home must be structurally sound.
- III. If the well is dry, the homeowner can choose one of the following options:
- a.) Obtain another homesite.
 - b.) If a spring exists on your property, a spring may be developed for domestic use. The spring must be within 500 feet of the home. Also springs have a tendency to dry up in the late summer. Spring developments require more operation and maintenance by the homeowner.
 - c.) Install a cistern to hold water which must be hauled by the homeowner.

GUIDELINES FOR HOME RENOVATIONS

1. Prior to sanitary facilities being installed the following condition must be met. Renovations must be completed or substantially underway.

OTHER HOMEOWNERS RESPONSIBILITIES

- I. On average, the sanitation facilities cost \$16,500.00 per site to install. Upon installation it is the responsibility of the homeowner to properly maintain the facilities. IHS does not have funding for routine maintenance or to replace broken components on the systems. However there is a one year warranty on the facilities installed by IHS. Tips on taking care of your system will be sent to you upon completion of construction.
- II. If your home is located on a lakeshore it is required that a holding tank be installed to store sewage. This may be need to be pumped out 2-3 times a month at a cost to the homeowner of as high as \$400.00 per month.

- III. Approximately 3 cubic yards of dirt must be dug for the septic tank. The excess dirt must be wasted on the property. You must show where it should Be spread.
- IV. Fort Belknap THPO Culture Clearance
- V. Prairie Mountain Utilities Deposit Payment Agreement

SECTION II
APPLICATION FOR
SANITATION FACILITIES
P.L. 86-121

Date: _____

Applicant Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Physical Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Check One: New Home Second Home Summer Home

1. What services are applying for?(Check all that apply)

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> New Well | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Water Service |
| <input type="checkbox"/> New Septic System | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Sewer Service |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Well Renovation | <input type="checkbox"/> Sewer Renovation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water Treatment System | |

2. Are you an enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe?

Yes No

Please indicate your tribal affiliation. _____

3. Have you ever received IHS sanitation facilities?

Yes No

4. Is the home to receive sanitary facilities your primary year round residence?

Yes No

5. Are you on a list at the Fort Belknap Housing Authority to be considered for a mutual help home or low rent housing?

Yes No

6. Are you moving into or living in a house or a mobile home?

Mobile House(please answer 6a. & 6b.)

6a. Are you constructing or purchasing a new home?
 Yes No

6b. Are you renovating your current home?
 Yes No

If you answered yes to 6b., indicate the type of renovation.

6c. Are you currently living on the site to be served without sewer or water?
 Yes No

7. Check the land classification of your homesite.
 Deeded (taxable) land-Provide a copy of your deed
 Allotted land-Provide a letter from the BIA Realty allowing you to occupy the land
 Leased tribal land-Provide a copy of your Tribal Lease

8. Indicate the condition of your interior plumbing
 Good working condition
 Needs some repair
 No plumbing

9. Is the home a HUD home? If yes, do you have the title to the home or are you still paying Housing? Yes No

If yes, explain: _____

10. How many people on average will be living in your home and how many bedrooms and bathrooms does it have?(Info needed to properly design the septic system)
 People Bedrooms Bathrooms

11. Do you currently have electricity on the site to be served?
 Yes No

12. What type of heat is available in the home to be served? _____

13. Would you like to be present when IHS inspects your homesite to determine the feasibility of constructing water and sewer facilities?
 Yes No

14. Describe as fully as possible the directions to your homesite. For example, use approximate distances from towns, highway intersections, neighboring homes, etc

Draw a Map Showing How to Find Your Homesite

Section III

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Rob Adams, Tribal Engineer, 353-3289

Jim Bell, Tribal Construction Manager, 353-4803

Margaret Doney, Prairie Mountain Utilities Director, 353-8313

Michael Black Wolf, Preservation Officer THPO, 353-8471

Peggy Crasco-Doney, Natural Resources Director, 353-8447

BIA Realty, 353-8504

NorthWestern Energy, 1-888-467-2669

Big Flat Electrical Cooperative, 1-800-242-2040

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES

INDIVIDUAL AGREEMENT
Between Head of Household and U.S. Public Health Service
Under Public Law 86-121

1. I hereby agree accept upon completion of installation of water and sewer facilities to be installed on the premise located herein and on land occupied by me. I also agree to operate, maintain, and keep these facilities in good repair at my own expense.
2. If the drilled well is dry, I agree to either choose another homesite, have a spring within 500 feet of my home developed, or have a cistern installed where I would be responsible to haul water for my domestic use.
3. I will provide a location for excess dirt to be disposed.

(Date)

(Signature of Head of Household)

I hereby certify that the following facilities have been installed.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

(Date)

(Signature of Project Engineer)

I hereby certify that the above-described facilities have been installed, accepted, and are in good operating Condition, and agree to operate, maintain, and repair these facilities at my own expense.

(Date)

(Signature of Head of Household)

DISTRIBUTION: Original-Homeowner File

Cc: Homeowner
Area Sanitation Facilities Construction Branch

CHECK LIST
DO NOT TURN IN INCOMPLETE APPLICATION

- _____ Verification that you can occupy the land that the facilities are to be constructed
(Copy of deed, Letter from the BIA Realty, Copy of Tribal Lease)
- _____ Verification of a commitment from the Electric company to provide power to the site.
- _____ Verification of the purchase of a house or mobile home if it is not yet on the site to be served.
- _____ Copies of Utilities Deposit Payment Agreement required by Prairie Mountain Utilities.
- _____ Signed individual agreement to verify that you will accept responsibility for maintenance of the facilities once they are installed.
- _____ Fort Belknap THPO Cultural Clearance



Prairie Mountain Utilities

Water-Waste Water-Solid Waste

164 Agency Main Street
Fort Belknap Agency
Harlem, Montana 59526
Ph (406) 353-8313/353-8320
Fax (406) 353-4977
Email: fbwaterplant@yahoo.com



UTILITIES DEPOSIT PAYMENT AGREEMENT

NAME: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: _____

I acknowledge that I have agreed to the terms and conditions set forth in this Deposit Payment Agreement.

1. I acknowledge that I have made a deposit of \$50.00 to the Prairie Mountain Utilities for turn-on fees.
2. That I promise to pay the amount of \$50.00 due by _____.
3. Should I be delinquent on the payment of the above amount, I understand that services will be disconnected immediately.

Customer Signature

DATE

Prairie Mountain Utilities Director

DATE

Fort Belknap Tribal Historic Preservation Office

Permit Application

In accordance with Cultural Property Act of the Fort Belknap Indian Community, any interested parties wanting to conduct any work that may relate to the historical, ethnographic, spiritual and cultural properties of the Gros Ventre and Assiniboine Tribes must fill out the Permit Application and issued a work permit before any work will be done.

NAME: _____

LOCATION OF PROJECT: _____
(ATTACH COPY OF MAP AND LEGAL DESCRIPTION)

SPECIFIC DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED UNDERTAKING (PROJECT):

PURPOSE AND NEED FOR PROPOSED UNDERTAKING (PROJECT):

PROJECT DATES:

RESPONSIBLE PERSON:

NAME

ADDRESS

TELEPHONE: (W) : _____ **(C):** _____

EMAIL: _____ **(F):** _____

OTHER INFORMATION TO BE CONSIDERED FOR APPLICATION:

PRINT NAME

SIGNATURE

DATE