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NEWS from the CWC

Homeowners may be reimbursed for 2009 septic repairs

MARGARETVILLE, NY, January 7, 2009 – Are you a homeowner in the Catskill-Delaware New York City Watershed who repaired or replaced your septic system during 2009 without help from the Catskill Watershed Corporation (CWC)?

If so, you may be able to recoup those costs now. Full-time residents may receive 100% of eligible costs, while part-time residents can get 60% of those costs reimbursed.

The CWC Board of Directors recently adopted a measure allowing reimbursement for septic repairs done between January 1 and December 31, 2009 that were not within priority areas for the regular Septic Repair and Rehabilitation Program. Adequate monies in the program fund allows the CWC to make this assistance available at year's end.

Homeowners who can show proof that repairs were completed, were approved by NYC Department of Environmental Protection and were paid for may fill out a CWC form to request reimbursement. Call 845-586-1400 to obtain this form.

The ongoing Septic Program can help homeowners located within 200 feet of a watercourse in the Catskill-Delaware Watershed. If you are experiencing difficulties with your on-site system, call the number above for information on how to participate in the program in 2010.

Homes that were constructed after November 2, 1995 are not eligible for this program.

The CWC is a non-profit Local Development Corporation based in Margaretville. It is committed to protecting water resources, encouraging environmentally friendly economic development and supporting watershed education in the New York City Watershed West of the Hudson River, a region encompassing parts of five counties – Delaware, Greene, Schoharie, Sullivan and Ulster.

To learn more about other CWC programs to assist residents and businesses in the New York City Watershed, visit www.cwconline.org.