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Grant Opportunity for Waterfront Septic System Replacements

New York State's Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC), has opened Round 2 of the State Septic System Replacement Fund Program which provides funds to replace old or substandard septic systems located on or near lakefront properties. Cayuga County is participating in this program and eligible properties include those located within 250 feet of Owasco Lake, Lake Como, Cayuga Lake and Skaneateles Lake.

This funding provides reimbursement of 50% of costs, up to \$10,000, for design and installation of a new septic system. All designs must be approved by the County Health Department prior to construction. Funding will be available for three years, or until exhausted. To apply for the program complete and return the application form which can be found at the following link: <u>Septic-Grant-Program-PDF (cayugacounty.us)</u> or on the Cayuga County website.

Property owners with aging or substandard septic systems are encouraged to apply to help improve water quality.

Individuals with questions may contact the Cayuga County Health Department at 315-253-1560.