

**EMERGENCY AND IMMEDIATE COMMUNITY WATER ASSISTANCE GRANTS PROGRAM  
Simplified Engineering Report/Certification**

**Overview**

The USDA Rural Development (RD) provides financial assistance through the Emergency and Imminent Community Water Assistance Grants Program (ECWAG) to eligible applicants who meet requirements outlined in 7 CFR 1778 and parts of 7 CFR 1780. To meet these requirements, an engineering report is required that offers justification, defines scope of proposed work and provides a detailed cost estimate. Normally, a report that is several pages in length will be sufficient. This simplified engineering report/certification should be used for projects determined to be eligible for simplified application processing.

**Requested Information for Engineering Report**

Include the information in the Attachment to this certification.

- A. Project Justification:** Briefly describe how the applicant has experienced a significant decline in quantity or quality of water, or in which such a decline is considered imminent, to obtain or maintain adequate quantities of water that meets the standards set by the Safe Drinking Water Act ([42 U.S.C. 300f](#) et seq.) (SDWA).
- B. Scope of Work:** Describe work to be performed including type, amount and a brief description of engineering design parameters used.
- C. Cost Estimate:** Provide an itemized estimate of the total project cost based on the stated period of construction. Include development and construction, land and rights, legal, engineering, interest, equipment, contingencies, refinancing, and other costs associated with the proposed project.

**Certification**

Applicant and Engineer - I hereby certify that if the requested grant is awarded: design policies of 7 CFR 1780.57 will be met in the design and specifications; procurement will comply with 7 CFR 1780.70; and contract documents will include applicable requirements of 7 CFR 1780.75 and will be in compliance with applicable bidding laws and federal regulations.

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Engineering Report Preparer (Licensed Engineer) Signature	Date
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Applicant Signature	Date
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Rural Development Concurrence in Eligibility of Proposal	Date