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Applications Accepted to Connect to County Water System

MONROE, N.C. (Sept. 23, 2021) – Union County Water is accepting applications for the Short Water Line Extension Program. The program provides Union County property owners with an opportunity to apply for connection to the County water system and receive clean, safe drinking water.

"Providing safe and reliable drinking water to our residents is one of our most important services," said Mark Watson, County Manager. "This program is helping us expand that service throughout the county."

Qualified applicants must meet one of the following criteria:

- Existing residence served by a private well
- Vacant lot with an active building permit for construction of an individual residence not subject to the subdivision development process
- Commercial, institutional, agricultural, or other non-residential purpose with a service connection of one inch or smaller

The application period ends Dec. 14, 2021 and joint applications with multiple homeowners in the same area are encouraged. Groups of neighbors who apply under a joint application to serve multiple properties with one water line extension will reduce the financial burden for all and potentially increase the application ranking. All applications are prioritized based on a points/ranking system that adds extra weight to applicants with failing wells or who have concerns about the quality of their well water. Homeowners whose applications are approved will be required to share costs for the project, which are included [on our website](#).

The Board of Commissioners adopted an enhanced Short Water Line Extension Program in 2019 and has continued to make a significant investment in the program. The program is part of the County's Water and Sewer Capital Improvement Program, which is largely based on the Comprehensive Water and Wastewater Master Plan. The comprehensive plan provides a 20-year projection of system needs.

For additional information, visit unioncountync.gov/waterline.

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