WH Energy-Saving Uncontrolled Ground Source Heat Pump Program



Wright-Hennepin (WH) offers an Uncontrolled Ground Source Heat Pump (GSHP) Program that saves you money on your energy bill year-round.

How it works

Receive an energy rate of \$.10500/kWh (not subject to the power cost adjustment [PCA]) for the electricity your GSHP uses, year round. A backup heating source is not required and your GSHP will not be managed (or turned off by WH). Your GSHP must meet a coefficient of performance of three or better at design conditions.

A GSHP is the highest efficiency heating and cooling system available because it uses a renewable energy source: the earth. This system is three times more efficient than the highest efficiency gas furnace and consists of a network of durable plastic coils buried in the ground that absorb the earth's heat energy. A heat pump, which is connected to the coils, extracts that energy and coverts it into heat, which is then transferred in to your home. At the flip of a switch, the process can be reversed to cool your home. GSHPs are long-lasting, low-maintenance systems designed to meet 100 percent of your heating and cooling needs.

Other considerations

- The GSHP system must be capable of providing the entire space heating and cooling requirements of the home.
- If you also have plenum or strip heating, these must be separately metered and controlled on a Dual Fuel rate strategy.
- If electricity is your primary source of heating your home, you are eligible to receive a sales tax exemption. Find the form at bit.ly/WH-tax-exemption.
- The Energy-Saving Program (ESP) metering equipment will need to be located outside the home.

How to enroll

- 1. Contact WH to discuss the program details.
- 2. Contact a contractor for quote on project. WH does not provide ground source heat pump equipment.
- 3. Complete required paperwork.
- 4. Contact WH to schedule a date and time to pick up the required metering equipment.
- 5. Complete state electrical inspection within 30 days of installation.
- 6. Notify WH that installation is complete. WH will do an ESP inspection. Rates and rebates will not be applied until the final inspection is complete

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2025 REBATES AVAILABLE

Residential Energy Conservation & Optimization (ECO) rebate: \$325 per ton, maximum of \$1950 total (maximum of 6 tons)

Enrollment in the Uncontrolled Ground Source Heat Pump Program is required to receive rebate.

Rebates are available on new installations only. Rebates will be given as a credit on your account.

Rebate forms may be downloaded at whe.org.

Rebates are paid on a first-come, first-served basis. Terms and conditions are subject to change.

Please allow six to eight weeks for rebate processing after ESP installation.

A state electrical inspection must be completed within 30 days of the metering equipment installation.

Learn more by talking to a WH representative at (763) 477-3000 or visit WH's website at whe.org.

Program information applicable through 12/31/2025

Programs, rates, and rebate amounts are not guaranteed and may be adjusted in the future.