



LGPC Ad-Hoc Septic Systems Committee

Thursday, September 8, 2022, 2pm, Via Zoom Teleconference

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Agenda

1. Welcome and Brief Update (Ken Parker, Chair)
2. Q&A - Draft Regulations and SAPA Documents (Dave, Karla)
3. Next Steps (Karla Buettner, LGPC Counsel)
 - a. Public Comment Period
 - b. Public Hearing – Wednesday, November 9th, 4pm, Fort William Henry
 - c. Process Following Public Comments, Finalization
4. Lake George Septic Replacement Grants (Hannah Neilly and Ethan Gaddy)
5. Other Items
6. Adjourn

Summary: Proposed LGPC Septic System Inspections and Standards

1. Overview: Proposed Lake George Septic Inspection Program:

- a. Inspections of residential and commercial structures within 500 feet of Lake George shoreline and 100 feet of DEC streams, once every five years (approximately 2,800 properties total, equals ~45% of the septic systems in the LG basin).
- b. 1/5th of properties inspected every year
- c. Trained LGPC seasonal and permanent staff to conduct inspections
- d. Annual fee for properties in the inspection program area: \$50/year residential, \$100 commercial. Program will be fiscally self-sustaining with annual fees.
- e. Identified failed components need correction/fixing within six months
- f. Substandard systems (functional but not meeting current standards) need to be upgraded prior to next inspection (up to five years)

2. Overview: New Proposed Technical Standards

- a. New and replacement systems in the LG Basin: 3 feet of usable soil below infiltration bed
- b. No reduction in infiltration bed trench length allowed with Enhanced Treatment Unit (similar to NYC watershed rules)
- c. When horizontal or vertical setbacks cannot be met, Enhanced Treatment Units and/or improved phosphorus removal system required
- d. Redevelopment (teardown/rebuild) of any property requires upgrade to current design standards
- e. Upon abandonment of old infiltration bed, removal of that bed and soils down to 2' below infiltrators or water table, whichever is shallower.