

IF YOUR SYSTEM FAILS:

- ♦ CORRECTIVE ACTION IS REQUIRED.
- ♦ YOU WILL BE CONTACTED BY THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT WITH INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO BRING YOUR SYSTEM FAILURE INTO COMPLIANCE.
- ♦ YOU MAY **STILL CLOSE** ON THE **SALE** OR TRANSFER, HOWEVER, ASSURANCE MUST BE GIVEN THAT CORRECTIVE ACTION WILL BE COMPLETED. (*ESCROW ACCOUNTS MAY NEED TO BE ESTABLISHED.*)
AND
- ♦ IF A SANITARY SEWER IS AVAILABLE A CONNECTION MUST BE MADE.

A REAL ESTATE AGENT MUST:

- ♦ **PRESENT** EVIDENCE TO A PROSPECTIVE BUYER OF ANY DISPOSAL SYSTEM FAILURE AND ANY REMEDIATION ACTION NECESSARY OR COMPLETED.
- ♦ **NOTIFY** THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND THE BUYER WHEN THERE IS A CLOSING WITHOUT AN EVALUATION BECAUSE THE HOME WAS VACANT.
- ♦ **INFORM** THE SELLER THAT A DISPOSAL SYSTEM EVALUATION IS REQUIRED PRIOR TO SALE.

A COPY OF THE ENTIRE ORDINANCE IS AVAILABLE BY VISITING THE WAYNE COUNTY WEB SITE AT:

WWW.WAYNECOUNTY.COM

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WAYNE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH VETERANS AND COMMUNITY WELLNESS, ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH IS RESPONSIBLE FOR:

- ♦ **ADMINISTERING** THE ON-SITE SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM EVALUATION AND MAINTENANCE ORDINANCE.
- ♦ **MAINTAINING** A DATABASE OF DISPOSAL SYSTEMS IN WAYNE COUNTY.
- ♦ **MAINTAINING** A FILING SYSTEM FOR ALL SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM PERMITS AND EVALUATION RECORDS.
- ♦ **MAINTAINING** A LIST OF REGISTERED EVALUATORS.
 - THE WAYNE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT IS ALSO AVAILABLE TO PERFORM DISPOSAL SYSTEM EVALUATIONS.
- ♦ **REQUIRING** AND ENFORCING REMEDIATION WHERE THERE IS EVIDENCE OF DISPOSAL SYSTEM FAILURE.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

PLEASE CONTACT YOUR REAL ESTATE AGENT OR THE WAYNE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH VETERANS AND COMMUNITY WELLNESS ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AT:

33030 VAN BORN ROAD
WAYNE, MICHIGAN 48184
(734) 727-7400

It is strongly recommended to have any onsite well also evaluated.

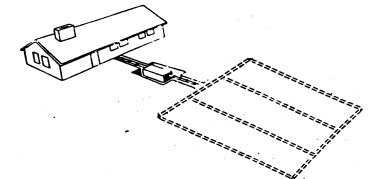
IMPORTANT IF YOU ARE SELLING YOUR HOME



**Warren Evans
County Executive**

WAYNE COUNTY'S ORDINANCE FOR EVALUATION AND MAINTENANCE OF ON-SITE SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS

EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER, 1999



A PROPERLY FUNCTIONING SEPTIC SYSTEM WILL:

- ◆ **HELP** PROTECT AND ENHANCE THE QUALITY OF THE COUNTY'S SURFACE AND GROUNDWATER RESOURCES.
- ◆ **PROTECT** PUBLIC HEALTH FROM DISEASE CAUSING ORGANISMS AND NUISANCE CONDITIONS.
- ◆ **PROPERLY** DISPOSE OF YOUR WASTEWATER.
- ◆ **PRESERVE** THE COUNTY'S WATERWAYS FOR RECREATIONAL ENJOYMENT.

STUDIES HAVE SHOWN THAT APPROXIMATELY 20% OF ALL SEPTIC SYSTEMS EXIST IN A STATE OF FAILURE.

THE WAYNE COUNTY COMMISSION AND THE WAYNE COUNTY EXECUTIVE, RECOGNIZING THIS HAVE ADOPTED COUNTY ORDINANCE 99-527.

THE ORDINANCE WAS FIRST EFFECTIVE IN THE ROUGE-RIVER WATER SHED COMMUNITIES IN WAYNE COUNTY. THOSE COMMUNITIES BEING :

ALLEN PARK, CANTON TOWNSHIP, DEARBORN, DEARBORN HEIGHTS, GARDEN CITY, INKSTER, LIVONIA, NORTHVILLE, NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP, PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP, PLYMOUTH, REDFORD TOWNSHIP, ROMULUS, WAYNE, WESTLAND, AND VAN BUREN TOWNSHIP.

**BEGINNING IN SEPTEMBER OF 2003,
THIS ORDINANCE BECAME EFFECTIVE
COUNTY-WIDE**

AS A HOMEOWNER YOU ARE REQUIRED TO:

- ◆ **MAINTAIN** YOUR DISPOSAL SYSTEM TO PREVENT FAILURE.
- ◆ **NOTIFY** THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT OF ANY KNOWN OR SUSPECTED DISPOSAL SYSTEM FAILURE.
- ◆ **REMEDY** ANY DISPOSAL SYSTEM FAILURE.

IF YOU ARE SELLING YOUR HOME



YOU MUST:

- ◆ **HAVE** YOUR DISPOSAL SYSTEM EVALUATED BY A REGISTERED EVALUATOR.
- ◆ **COOPERATE** WITH THE REGISTERED EVALUATOR BY PROVIDING PERTINENT INFORMATION AND PAYING THE COSTS FOR THE EVALUATION.
- ◆ **OBTAIN** AN AUTHORIZATION FOR SALE OR TRANSFER PRIOR TO CLOSING FROM THE WAYNE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH.

If Your Home Is Vacant: PLEASE CONTACT
THE WAYNE COUNTY
DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH
YOUR DISPOSAL SYSTEM EVALUATION
MAY BE DELAYED.

A SEPTIC SYSTEM EVALUATION INCLUDES:

- ◆ **IDENTIFICATION** OF YOUR SEPTIC TANK AND DRAINFIELD LOCATIONS.
- ◆ **PUMPING** OUT OF YOUR SEPTIC TANK AT THE TIME OF EVALUATION.
- ◆ **EXPOSING** THE DRAINFIELD FOR INSPECTION.
- ◆ **DETERMINING** IF YOUR DISPOSAL SYSTEM IS FUNCTIONING SATISFACTORILY, IS IN A STATE OF FAILURE OR CONTAINS POTENTIAL FAILURE CONDITIONS.
- ◆ **THE EVALUATION** MAY ALSO IDENTIFY RECOMMENDATIONS WHICH MAY PREVENT PREMATURE FAILURE OF YOUR DISPOSAL SYSTEM.
- ◆ **EDUCATIONAL** MATERIALS ARE PROVIDED AS PART OF THE EVALUATION.

REPORTS



REPORTS ARE PREPARED AFTER ALL EVALUATIONS

- ◆ A DISPOSAL SYSTEM EVALUATION REPORT MUST BE PROVIDED TO THE OWNER WITHIN **10** DAYS OF THE EVALUATION.
- ◆ THE REGISTERED EVALUATOR MUST ALSO SEND THE REPORT TO THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT WITHIN **10** DAYS OF EVALUATION AND AT LEAST **5** DAYS PRIOR TO CLOSING.
- ◆ DISPOSAL SYSTEM EVALUATION REPORTS ARE MAINTAINED BY THE WAYNE COUNTY DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND ARE AVAILABLE TO PROSPECTIVE BUYERS OR ANY OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS.
- ◆ REPORTS ARE VALID FOR **6** MONTHS.