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Onsite Septic System Rulemaking (Clean Streams)

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Time of Transfer Septic System Inspection (sections 0131 & 0400)



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Who can do it?

- Profession Engineer with septic knowledge
- Environmental Health Specialist w/septic knowledge
- NAWT Inspector training certified
- Certified maintenance provider



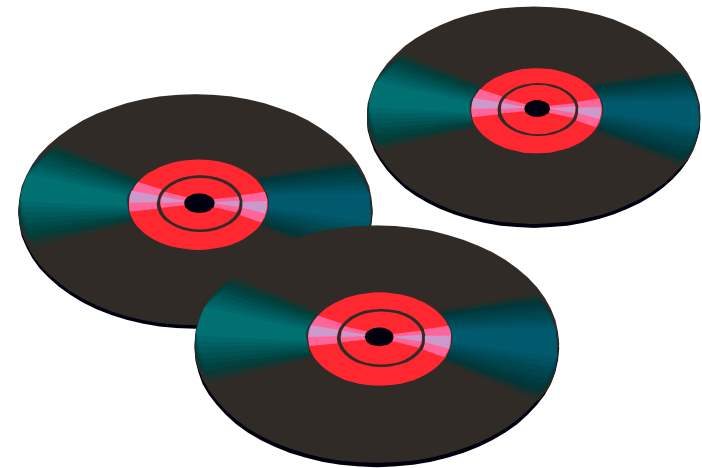
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Collect Records

- Permit records
- Pumping records
- Maintenance invoices





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Field Evaluation

- Pump the tank
- Inspect the pumped tank
- Expose system components

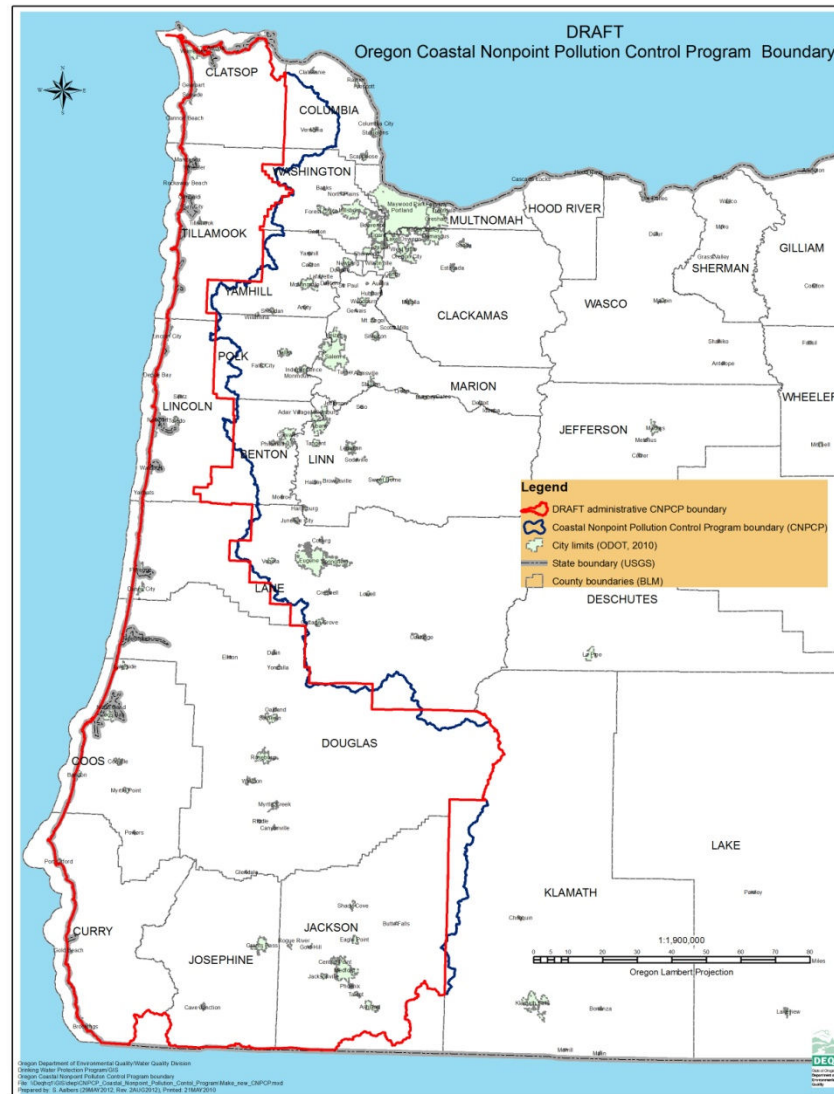


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Coastal Zone





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Coastal Reporting

- Seller gives buyer septic records
- Evaluation done
- Report Submitted
- Complete? DEQ issues a Certificate of Completed Inspection



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Why Now?

- Federal lawsuit filed that Oregon not in compliance with Coastal Zone requirements
- Consent decree to complete rulemaking by March, 2013
- Loss of '319' federal money used to improve water quality

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Where are we in the process?

- Public review period until 5 pm October 19th
- Comments by:
 - Fax 541-686-7551
 - Email: comment-cleanstreams@deq.state.or.us
 - Mail: DEQ attn:Randy Trox, 165 East 7th Avenue, Suite 100, Eugene 97401
- Public Hearings: Medford, Eugene, Portland
- EQC rulemaking consideration December 6th
- Implementation Date 3/1/13

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Other states with this requirement

- Arizona
- Delaware
- Iowa
- Massachusetts
- New Mexico

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Does time of transfer inspections work?

<http://www.barryeatonhealth.org/EnvironmentalHealth/TimeofSaleorTransferTOST.aspx>

Barry-Eaton District Health
Department
Time of Sale or Transfer Program
(TOST)
The First Three Years
2007-2010



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Questions?