



KEWAUNEE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE

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Kewaunee County Proposes Amendment to Sanitary Ordinance

KEWAUNEE, WI – Kewaunee County is proposing to amend its Sanitary Ordinance to make sure every private onsite wastewater treatment system (POWTS) has proper soil requirements.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Soil Evaluation. Every POWTS (septic system) installed prior to January 1, 1985 shall have a soil evaluation completed before October 1, 2021 or sooner as ordered by the Kewaunee County Zoning Administrator. POWTS that have been identified as compliant and inspected in the sanitary maintenance program will not require a new soil evaluation. POWTS that are identified as not inspected in the sanitary maintenance program will be required to have a soil/site evaluation to establish POWTS compliance. Any property owner ordered to submit a soil evaluation sooner than October 1, 2021 shall be provided at least one-year to complete the soil evaluation. The property owner shall submit a soil evaluation report to Kewaunee County prepared by a certified soil tester conforming to the requirements of with SPS 383, SPS 385, and SPS 391, Wisconsin Administrative Code.

In Kewaunee County, property owners who are recorded as compliant will have accurate soil information on file with the Kewaunee County Zoning Office, along with the inspection report from when the system was installed. And, property owners recorded as non-compliant, means their system was not inspected when it was installed and the Kewaunee County Zoning Office has insufficient documentation on file to determine if the POWTS is located in suitable soils.

Kewaunee County will host a public hearing on the proposed amendment next week.

Public Hearing on Proposed Amendment to Sanitation Ordinance
Wednesday, June 14, 2017 at 4PM
Kewaunee County Administration Center – County Board Room
810 Lincoln Street, Kewaunee, WI 54216

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The Kewaunee County Zoning Office will also accept written comments on the proposal until June 12, 2017. Those who would like to submit a comment, may do so in person or by mail.

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