

Septic Systems in a Flood Plain

Criteria for Installing a Septic System in a Flood Plain

Property owners must install and maintain:

- 1 A backflow preventer to prevent back siphonage of sewage into the residence.
- 2 A KDHE approved top lid concrete septic tank, plastic septic tank or an aerobic treatment tank. All tanks must have approved/accepted anchoring, due to additional weight from potential flood waters.
- 3 Rubber seals and gaskets on all inlets, outlets, access risers, vent pipes and manhole riser(s) of the septic tank to prevent water intrusion and sewage leakage.
- 4 Manhole riser(s) and inspection ports 1 foot above the 100 year flood plain.
- 5 Adequate anchoring to keep the tank secure in the event of saturated soils in floodwater.
- 6 Posts or rods on corners of septic tank to indicate location.

Other conditions:

- 7 The septic tank shall be pumped and inspected every 3-5 years to ensure septic tank integrity. A contractors report verifying condition of the septic tank shall be submitted to the Reno County Health Dept. within 30 days of the inspection.
- 8 Do not cover the waste water system without an inspection by the Reno County Health Dept's Environmental Staff. To contact, call 620-694-2900.
- 9 The Reno County Health Dept. will file the Waiver and Permit for the above Property with the Register of Deeds.

Reference: Richard Basore, KDHE Watershed Field Coordinator, 09-25-2008

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