



Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems Commission Sunol Septic Work Group

Tuesday, January 8, 2019

Meeting Agenda

Time: 6:00 pm
Location: Sunol Glen School Cafeteria
11601 Main St
Sunol, CA 94586

1. Call To Order – called to order by Connie De Grange at 5:59pm

ACDEH Staff present – Teena Whitmer

SCAC Members present – Connie De Grange, Rosemary Chang

Other Staff present – Norm Hantzsche (Questa Engineering)

- Connie provided summary of previous meeting on December 12, 2018
- Questa's data collection samples indicated good soil conditions which Norm believes will allow Sunol to have an ongoing Onsite Wastewater Management system as a possible alternative solution.
- More time should be focused on Onsite Wastewater District Management plan as part of Feasibility Study.

2. Questa

a. Onsite Wastewater Management District Standards – Norm discussed guidelines and criteria for an Onsite Wastewater Management District. Stinson Beach County Water District is discussed as an example for implementing an Onsite Wastewater Management District. Any public entity can become an Onsite Wastewater Management District such as County, City, Special District, Sanitary District, and Water District. Fees are determined by activities/roles/responsibilities of Onsite Wastewater Management District. Can be done in phases depending on what is decided by residents. A budget will be required for overall management, conducting inspections, recordkeeping, reporting, and water testing of the Onsite Wastewater Management District. Fees will differ for residential and commercial properties. Public financing may be needed for septic upgrades. An Onsite Wastewater

Management District can be started by a petition filed by property owners with the Board of Supervisors. A zone is pre-determined and boundaries will need to be drawn for participating homes and included in petition for review. Will need 10% of voters from a zone area to get started. If 50% or more people in the zone protests, then it will not pass, if 35% or less people in the zone, can be enacted. If 35%-50% people in the zone protests, a vote will be required. Property owners can choose to be excluded from the zone. Owners who choose to be excluded cannot protest the petition. Can address issues of reduced setbacks, level of property improvement allowed, and greywater systems. Can be structured initially as base-level program then shift to mid-level program and so on.

b. Draft OWTS Management for Sunol

- c. Next Steps** – Determine what the customized standards will look like for repair, remodel (with or without bedroom addition), greywater systems, and agreeable setback conditions. Determine all alternative solutions and how it impacts individual property owners.

3. Next meeting: Wednesday, February 13, 2019

4. Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 7:13pm

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