



Memorandum

TO: SATPAL SIDHU, COUNTY EXECUTIVE
FROM: Hayli Hruza, OSS & Drinking Water Supervisor
DATE: JANUARY 15, 2025
RE: WCC CH 24.05 ONSITE SEWAGE CODE

In 2024, the Washington State Department of Health updated the language in several on-site sewage laws. Whatcom County now has the opportunity to adapt or modify our local codes to reflect the new state requirements and meet local needs. Whatcom County Health and Community Services (WCHCS) has developed the proposal in consultation with local OSS industry and stakeholders. The proposed changes reflect updated best practices in septic system management and align with state regulations.

The purpose of this presentation is to describe the key components of the proposed code change and provide an opportunity for the County Council to offer feedback.

WCHCS invites County Council input and questions. A final draft of the code change proposal will be completed following, with the goal of presenting the final proposal to the County Council Public Works and Health committee for approval prior to the general county council.

For any questions, please contact Hayli Hruza at 360-778-6074