

Septic Program Fee Increase Proposal November 7, 2013 BOH Meeting

1. FY 12 Septic Program Audit requires a testhole on every permit request. There are only two exceptions:
 - A testhole was done on the lot during land development review.
 - The lot is in land development area where slope and soil characteristics are the same.

2. Repair (Failed) system reviews take as much time or more as a new system review.
 - A testhole is required unless one was done with prior permit.
 - Systems are to meet full rule requirements. Last resort is to issue a non-conforming permit.

3. Planning and Zoning reviews (Hooking to an Existing System) are taking longer to process than estimated.
 - Looking up the record through electronic software takes more time. Once we find the information, we visit with the owner on system maintenance and potential placement of remodeling projects.
 - Fremont County capacity reviews take extra time due to the various questions on how to enlarge the systems to the owner's preferred capacity.
 - On-site visits require more time due to the expectation from the audit.

Due to the items above, I would like to propose to the Board the following fee increases:

- **New System Fee** **\$600.00**
(Formerly \$500.00, this will help cover some of the added costs from the testhole requirement on every permit request. If area is known for subwater, two site visits, per testhole, is required to document water level.)

- **Repair (Failed) System Fee** **\$400.00**
(Formerly \$250.00, this will help cover multiple inspection trips if a testhole is required and the added costs of meeting the audit expectations of full rule requirements.)

- **Planning and Zoning Review** **\$50.00/\$200.00**
(Formerly \$25.00/\$125.00, these will help cover the costs of extended discussions in the office and field work from the audit expectations.)

I request the new fees go into effect on January 1, 2014.