

SITE EVALUATION

A site evaluation is the procedure where your consultant evaluates the site ability to dispose of sewage. This is where the initial soils' evaluation is done (i.e., "soil observation pit" or "test trench"). Once the site evaluation is finished, your consultant will prepare and, **within 60 days**, submit to Environmental Health, the "Site Evaluation & Soil Description Report".

SITE EVALUATION PROCESS

1. Obtain a Consultant: See Section 15.32.020 of the El Dorado County Sewage Disposal Ordinance. The Consultant will assist the property owner in locating the appropriate sewage disposal site on the parcel. The Consultant is the person that examines the soil observation pit(s), and prepares the site evaluation report.

- A) The 'Move on Notification' shall be faxed a minimum of 3 days in advance of the evaluation. The property information, including a correct Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) shall be included. Fax number: 530-642-1531
- B) A '*Confirming* Move on Notification' with the actual date and time of the evaluation shall be faxed in the day before the site evaluation.
- C) Site evaluations shall be scheduled between 9 AM and 4 PM, Monday through Friday.

2. Conduct a Site Evaluation:

- A) The consultant and the backhoe operation will meet at the property.
- B) Soil observation pit(s) will be excavated in the area proposed for the sewage disposal system and the replacement area. (Within 100 feet).
- C) Along with the soil observation pits, the overall site will be evaluated by the consultant for other considerations such as slope, leaking irrigation ditches, setbacks, road cuts, etc. The field report will contain information that defines all areas tested and comments on the ability of the soil/parcel to dispose of sewage. All soil observation pits shall be backfilled upon completion of the evaluation for the purpose of safety and erosion control.

3. Prepare Site Evaluation Report

Regardless of the outcome of the site evaluation, the consultant must provide the Division with a site evaluation report. The report shall be on El Dorado County's "Site Evaluation & Soil Description Report" form. (See attached).

The site evaluation report shall include:

- A) An accurate location map:
- B) A scaled map of the entire parcel showing: (1"-50' minimum); location of all soil profile excavations, wells, streams, ponds, drainage ways, proposed structure site, existing buildings, rock outcrops, easements, proposed driveways, and cuts and fills;
- C) Soil profile – including roots, clay lenses, rock type and amount, texture, moisture, depth to groundwater and any other unusual aspects.

4. **Site Evaluation & Soil Description Reports shall be submitted within 60 days of completion of the site evaluation.**

5. Wet Weather Testing: The Division may require that a parcel be tested during the wet weather test season before a site is approved, based on revealing conditions noted in the site evaluation report. This requirement may also be based on historical soils information available for an area.

6. A “Site Evaluation & Soil Description Report” is transferable and runs with the land.

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