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Wakulla County Health Department Announces Septic System Enforcement

Crawfordville, Florida – The Wakulla County Health Department has recently noticed that the Infrastructure Element Policy 1.3.1(b) of the Wakulla County Comprehensive Plan regarding the ability to modify an existing septic system has been improperly interpreted and enforced by the Environmental Health office.

To coincide with the policy, effective January 20, 2012 any system that needs to be repaired, modified or installed as a new system will need to be brought up to performance based system standards. The only exemptions to this policy will be those who prove a financial hardship and if the property owner is applying for an existing system permit. Additionally, this does not impact systems that have been previously installed under a modification permit, nor will it impact permits that have already been issued but not yet installed.

If you have any questions regarding this issue, please contact the Wakulla County Health Department's Environmental Office at 850-926-0401.