

West Cocalico Township recently passed a new On-Lot Sewer program.

Residents with on-lot systems will be required to have their on-lot sewage disposal system inspected by a registered hauler/pumper and followed by regular inspections at least once every 3 years.

Copies of receipts showing that the system has been pumped and inspected will need to be submitted to the township.

Many property owners take their on-lot sewage system for granted – as long as wastewater goes down the drain without an apparent problem, there isn't much thought of sewage system maintenance. Unfortunately, failing to properly maintain on-lot sewage systems can result in polluted groundwater, polluted streams, health hazards, and very expensive repairs that could have otherwise been avoided. Quite simply, on-lot sewage systems aren't designed to work properly without regular maintenance. The single most effective activity that can and should be performed on all on-lot sewage systems is the regular pumping of the treatment tank.

If you have recently had your system pumped, you can provide a copy of the receipt to the township. The date of your pump out will be added to our database and we will then schedule the next inspection 3 years out from the date of the receipt.

If you have recently had your system pumped and no longer have a receipt, you can contact your hauler for a copy.

You may submit receipts to the township by mail, email or in-person. The receipt should include name, address, date of pump out and hauler's name.

