



**SNOHOMISH HEALTH DISTRICT  
RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH**

12-15

**RESOLUTION NUMBER:** 12-15  
**RESOLUTION SUBJECT:** On-Site Sewage Systems (OSS) Monitoring  
and Maintenance Specialist Program

WHEREAS the Board of Health, by resolution 08-10, adopted WAC 246-272A as the Rules and Regulations Governing Onsite Sewage Disposal to be followed and enforced by the Snohomish Health District; and

WHEREAS WAC 246-272A-0340 Certification of installers, pumpers, and maintenance service providers states: "(2) Local health officer may establish programs and requirements for approving maintenance service providers"; and

WHEREAS WAC 246-272A-0270 Operation, monitoring, and maintenance - Owner responsibilities states: "(1) the OSS owner is responsible for operating, monitoring, and maintaining the OSS to minimize the risk of failure, and to accomplish this purpose, shall: (d) Assure a complete evaluation of the system components and/or property to determine functionality, maintenance needs and compliance with regulations and any permits"; and

WHEREAS the Board of Health recognizes that advancements in OSS technologies and the resulting added complexities of system function and maintenance necessitates a heightened level of knowledge and skills by maintenance service providers; and

WHEREAS the Board of Health recognizes that establishing certification and reporting standards by service providers will help the OSS owners meet their obligations to properly operate and maintain safe and sanitary onsite sewage systems;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Health adopts Snohomish Health District Sanitary Code Chapter 8.7 "Onsite Sewage System Monitoring and Maintenance Specialist Program"; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Health amends Snohomish Health District Sanitary Code Chapter 8.3 "Onsite Sewage Disposal System Installer Program" and Chapter 8.4 "Septic Tank Pumper Program" for consistency with the provisions of Chapter 8.7.

ADOPTED this 12th day of June, 2012.

Dianne White, Acting Chair  
Board of Health

ATTEST:

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