

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

92-18

**RESOLUTION NUMBER: 92 - 18**

**RESOLUTION SUBJECT: SUPPLEMENTAL ONSITE SEWAGE DISPOSAL  
POLICIES AND PROCEDURES: RECREATIONAL VEHICLE  
SEWAGE DUMP STATIONS**

WHEREAS RCW 70.05.070 requires that "The local health officer, acting under direction of the local board of health... shall:

- (1) Enforce the public health statutes of the state, rules and regulations of the State Board of Health and the Secretary of Social and Health Services, and all Local health rules, regulations, and ordinances within his jurisdiction:
- (2) Take such action as is necessary to maintain health and sanitation supervision over the territory within his jurisdiction...", and

WHEREAS the Board of Health of Snohomish Health District, by Resolution #84 - 23, adopted WAC 248-96, currently known as WAC 246-272, as the Rules and Regulations Governing Onsite Sewage Disposal to be followed and enforced by the Snohomish Health District, and

WHEREAS WAC 246-272-020 Local Regulation, section (8) states: "Nothing in these regulations shall prohibit the adoption and enforcement of more stringent regulations by local health departments where such regulations are needed to protect the public health.", and

WHEREAS WAC 246-272-250 Design, section (1) states: "The detailed design and construction of all on-site sewage systems shall conform to the 'Design Manual: On-site Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Systems,' United States Environmental Protection Agency, EPA-625/1-080-012, October, 1980, except where modified by, or in conflict with these regulations.", and

WHEREAS the "Design Manual: On-site Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Systems" is deficient in design criteria for Recreational Vehicle (RV) Sewage Dump Stations, and

WHEREAS, furthermore, scientific studies have determined that sewage discharges from RV vehicles at dump stations is of a character and composite not consistent with the relative criteria established by the EPA for onsite sewage disposal, and

WHEREAS The Board of Health recognizes that application of current regulations and design criteria does not adequately address the differing character and composite of RV

dump station sewage relative to established design criteria, and

WHEREAS the Board of Health recognizes that the use of onsite sewage disposal methods for RV dump station sewage may have adverse impacts to public health, and

WHEREAS the Board of Health believes that immediate steps need to be taken to assure that any future RV dump stations be constructed so as to not present the potential for adverse affects to public health, and

WHEREAS the Stillaguamish Watershed Action Plan, as prepared by Snohomish County Public Works, has established the need for RV dump station facilities as a water quality and public health measure, and

WHEREAS the Board of Health recognizes this need for RV dump stations at all RV camping facilities,

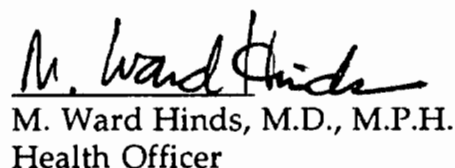
NOW THEREFORE to protect the public health, the Board of Health requires that all new or expanded RV facilities will provide RV dump station facilities, and

NOW THEREFORE to protect the public health, the Board of Health requires that all new, expanded, or repaired RV dump station facilities will be connected to an approved sanitary sewer system or utilize holding tanks in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Snohomish Health District.

Adopted this 9th day of June , 1992.

  
Jared C. Karstetter Chairman  
Board of Health

ATTEST:

  
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