



Agency of Natural Resources

Waste Management & Pollution Prevention Division

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Application Forms, Guidance Documents, & Procedure: <http://www.anr.state.vt.us/dec/wastediv/solid/permit.htm>

**INSIGNIFICANT WASTE MANAGEMENT EVENT APPROVAL (IWMEA)
GUIDANCE DOCUMENT & APPLICATION FORM
Clogged Septic System & Leachfield Stone Disposal Events
July 2013**

Introduction

If properly sited and managed, the disposal of clogged leachfield stone may be determined by the Secretary of the Agency of Natural Resources (Agency) to constitute an Insignificant Waste Management Event Approval (IWMEA) under the definition found in Section 6-301(c) of the Solid Waste Management Rules (Rules). Under an IWMEA, an exemption to the Rules requiring conventional landfill disposal may be granted.

This document has been prepared for those individuals, facilities, contractors, and businesses who desire to obtain approval from the Solid Waste Management Program (Program) of the Agency for disposal of clogged leachfield stone from the repair or replacement of a failed septic system. A request must be submitted by the owner of the property where disposal of the leachfield stone is proposed or by a registered professional engineer or a certified site technician who has been retained to supervise the repair of the failed leachfield. Information submitted with the request must demonstrate conformance with the criteria in the procedure titled *Procedure Addressing the Disposal of Clogged Septic System Stone*, adopted by the Secretary of the Agency on February 8, 1999. A copy of this procedure is located at the above listed website address.

The limitations, siting standards, and operational requirements for an IWMEA was developed from the Rules, which are promulgated under the authority of 10 V.S.A. Section 6603. Violations of the conditions of the IWMEA are enforced as violations of applicable statutes and Rules and may involve substantial penalties.

Under 3 V.S.A. §2822 (i), municipalities are exempt from solid waste facility application fees. An application submitted by a private sector entity must include an application fee. The amount of the application fee is \$100.00.

At least 30 days **prior** to the start of the disposal event, applicants need to submit a completed application form along with the necessary attachments and \$100.00 fee. It is recommended that a careful review of this document and a thorough check of the application and attachments be performed. The completeness of the application will have a direct bearing upon how quickly an application can be reviewed for issuance or denial.

We recommend that you contact the Permit Specialist assigned to the Region where the project is located. The Permit Specialist will identify other state permits you may need to obtain **prior** to starting your project. Please see the attached map to identify your local Regional Office.

Application Procedures

In addition to completing the application form (attached), persons requesting an IWMEA **must** include the following items:

1. A written request submitted by the owner of the property where disposal of the leachfield stone is proposed or by a registered professional engineer, or a certified site technician who has been retained to supervise the repair of the failed leachfield. Information submitted with the request must describe the source of the waste and demonstrate that each of the criteria in the February 8, 1999 Agency procedure titled *Procedure Addressing the Disposal of Clogged Septic System Stone* will be met.
2. The application form must be accompanied by a letter from the landowner where the disposal is to occur giving permission for the waste disposal. The application form must include the information concerning the landowner, person(s) responsible for the disposal of the waste, volume of waste, and the schedule when disposal will take place.
3. A site map (minimum size 8 ½" x 11" and may be hand drawn) showing the layout of the area and the proposed disposal area. The map must show the location of property lines, buildings, wells, surface waters, wetlands, and roads. The map must indicate the distance of each of the preceding items from the proposed disposal area. The map may be drawn to scale.
4. A Soil Conservation Service (SCS) soil map for the area or copy thereof, along with the listings of the soil types involved in the area shown on the map. The location of the proposed disposal site must be indicated on the map or map copy. Maps and soil types are located at: <http://www.vt.nrcs.usda.gov/>
5. A USGS topographical map for the proposed area or applicable copy thereof with the quadrangle title listed on the copy, with location of the proposed disposal site indicated on the map or the copy. USGS maps are usually available at sporting goods stores or may be obtained at the Vermont State Geologist's Office: <http://www.anr.state.vt.us/dec/geo/vgs.htm>

Landowners will be considered co-applicants for the application and will be jointly and severally responsible for compliance with the terms and conditions of the IWMEA.

Enforcement of Violations

A written IWMEA issued by the Secretary will be only for the waste listed in the application and will be issued based on the information submitted as part of the application. The person(s) receiving the IWMEA are obligated to ensure that only the waste approved for disposal is buried and to prevent other wastes from being disposed of at the site.

Violators of an IWMEA may be subject to enforcement, which may include revocation of the IWMEA authorization and substantial fines. Currently, administrative penalties range up to \$100,000 with criminal sanctions ranging up to \$50,000 and six months imprisonment per violation. Each day's continuing activity may be considered a separate and distinct violation.



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IWMEA APPLICATION FORM FOR DISPOSAL OF CLOGGED SEPTIC SYSTEM/LEACHFIELD STONE

July 2012

Applicant, Landowner, Site and Contact Person Information

1. Applicant

Name (print): _____

Address: _____

Telephone number: _____

Email Address: _____

2. Landowner

Name (print): _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

3. Disposal Site Location

Address: _____

4. Contractor

Name (print): _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Waste Description and Project Duration

1. Waste Source: identify the source or project from which the waste is generated

(Note: the waste must be from a single source or project)

2. Waste Type(s) and Volume

Type	Volume (cubic yards)
_____	_____
_____	_____

3. Disposal Event Duration: Starting Date: _____ Ending Date: _____

Attachments

- Letter from the person or persons requesting the IWMEA outlining the activity and demonstrating compliance with the February 8, 1999 Agency procedure titled *Procedure Addressing the Disposal of Clogged Septic System Stone*.
- Permission letter from landowner.
- Site map, SCS map, and USGS map (or copies thereof) with the disposal site indicated on the maps.
- Other pertinent information that may be helpful in reviewing the application.
- Fee - Check in the amount of \$100.00 made payable to “*Treasurer, State of Vermont*”.

Applicant Signature: _____

Landowner Signature: _____

(Landowner, your signature constitutes approval to use this site for this disposal event)

Contractor Signature: _____

REGIONAL OFFICES

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION (DEC) DISTRICT ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSIONS (ACT 250)

DISTRICTS 1, 8, & 9

450 Asa Bloomer State Office Bldg.
Merchants Row
Rutland, VT 05701-5903

DEC Permit Specialist	786-5907
DEC Regional Engineer	786-5900
Act 250 (Dist #1 & 8)	786-5920
Act 250 (Dist #9)	879-5614
DEC River Management.....	786-5906

DISTRICTS 2 & 3

100 Mineral St, Ste #303
Springfield, VT 05156

DEC Permit Specialist	885-8850
DEC Regional Engineer	885-8855
Act 250 (Dist #2, 3, & 3A)	885-8855
DEC River Management.....	786-5906
DEC Wetlands	476-2678

DISTRICTS 4 & 6

111 West Street
Essex Junction, VT 05452

DEC Permit Specialist	879-5676
DEC Reg. Engineer (Dist #4 & 6)	879-5656
DEC Reg. Engineer (Dist #9)	786-5900
Act 250 (Dist #4, 6, & 9)	879-5614
DEC River Management.....	879-5631
DEC Wetlands (Dist #4).....	879-2396
DEC Wetlands (Dist #6).....	241-3754

DISTRICTS 3A & 5

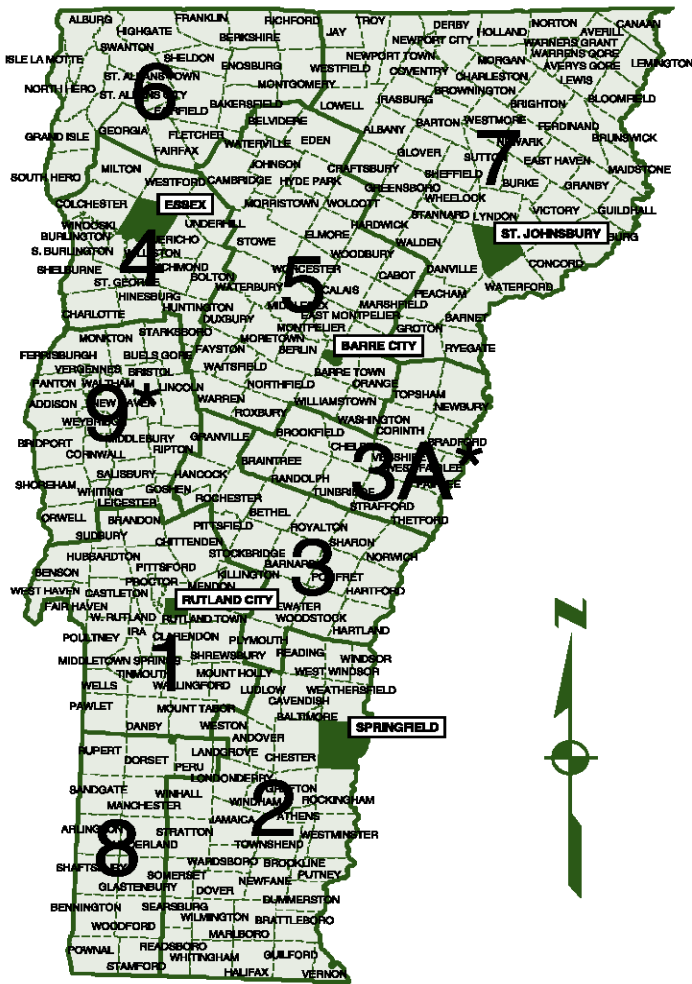
5 Perry Street, Suite 80
Barre, VT 05641-4282

DEC Permit Specialist	476-0195
DEC Regional Engineer	476-0190
Act 250 (Dist # 3A)	885-8855
Act 250 (Dist # 5)	476-0185
DEC River Management.....	476-2679
DEC Wetlands (Dist #3A).....	476-2678
DEC Wetlands (Dist #5).....	241-3762

DISTRICT 7

1229 Portland St-Ste 201
St. Johnsbury, VT 05819

DEC Permit Specialist (Tues)	751-0127
DEC Regional Engineer	751-0130
Act 250	751-0120
DEC River Management.....	476-2679
DEC Wetlands	241-3762



DEC and ACT 250 Regional Office Map
February 17, 2006

3A* NOTE:

For towns in District 3A, contact the Springfield Office for Act 250 Permits. For Water Supply, Wastewater Disposal and Subdivision Permits, District 3A must contact the Barre Office.

9* NOTE:

For towns in District 9, contact the Essex Junction Office for Act 250 Permits. For Water Supply, Wastewater Disposal and Subdivision Permits, District 9 must contact the Rutland Office.