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**POLICY ON PERMITTING REQUIREMENTS  
FOR THE INDIAN HILLS / PARMALEE GULCH AREA**

**APPROVED: October 16, 2002**  
**REVISED: January 15, 2008**  
**EFFECTIVE: February 1, 2008**

Purpose

To establish consistent application approval and permitting requirements for individual sewage disposal systems in the Indian Hills / Parmalee Gulch drainage area of Jefferson County.

Rationale

By establishing specific design guidelines for individual sewage disposal systems, designers and applicants know what is expected of them. Also, it eliminates the requirement for Board of Health Review under certain circumstances.

**STATEMENT OF POLICY**

IT IS THE POLICY OF THE JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH that the following guidelines shall apply to the installation of any individual sewage disposal system in the Indian Hills / Parmalee Gulch drainage area.

**FOR NEW SYSTEMS**

Within the Prohibition Area No new systems are permitted.

Outside the Prohibition area:

<u>LOT SIZE</u>	<u>SYSTEM TYPE</u>	<u>APPROVAL PROCESS</u>
Over 10 acres	standard	permit approved by staff
Less than 10 acres	secondary / segregated	permit reviewed by Board

**FOR REPAIRS TO EXISTING SYSTEMS (all areas)**

<u>LOT SIZE</u>	<u>SYSTEM TYPE</u>	<u>APPROVAL PROCESS</u>
Over 5 acres	standard	permit approved by staff
Less than 5 acres	secondary	permit approved by staff
Less than 5 acres	segregated / standard	reviewed by the Board

**FOR ADDITIONS TO EXISTING SYSTEMS (all areas)**

<u>LOT SIZE</u>	<u>SYSTEM TYPE</u>	<u>APPROVAL PROCESS</u>
On all properties	secondary / segregated	reviewed by the Board

**FOR SITES THAT DRAIN TOWARDS BEAR CREEK**

For sites not in the Prohibition Area, if it can be demonstrated through topographic evaluation that individual sewage disposal system can be located such that it drains toward Bear Creek, installation of a standard system is permitted provided that all other aspects of the regulation are met.

## **FOR SITES COMPOSED OF BOTH PROHIBITION AND NON-PROHIBITION LOTS**

Development of such sites may be permitted if the individual sewage disposal system will be installed on the non-prohibition lots. Such cases will be handled as specified in 'New Systems,' above. All other regulatory and policy requirements must be met.

### **OTHER NOTES**

1. Staff shall review applications for secondary treatment where standard systems are permitted and other regulatory and lot size requirements are met.
2. Minor repairs, such as replacing broken pipes or distribution boxes are exempt from permitting requirements.
3. Tank replacements do not require upgrade to secondary treatment, but do require dosing siphons and permits (staff review and approval). The Department recommends that any replacement tanks be appropriately sized to accommodate a future secondary-treatment system.
4. Requests for installations that do not meet the above requirements shall be reviewed and approved by the Board.

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