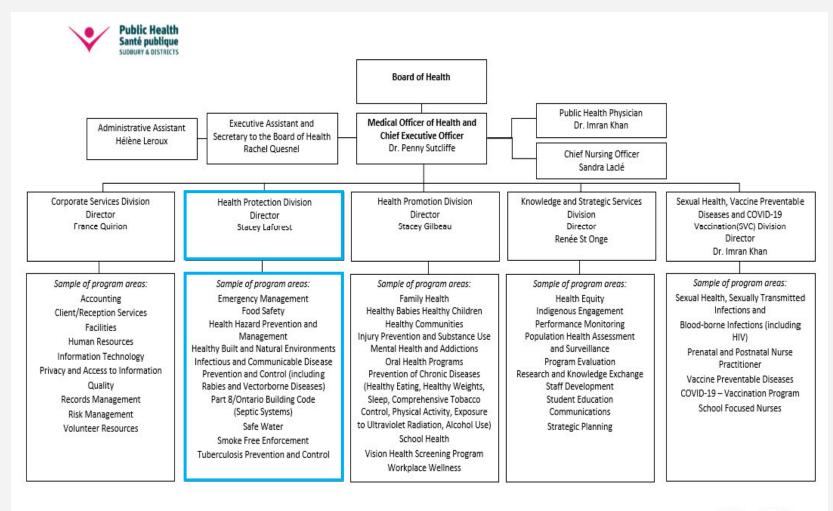
Private Onsite Sewage System (Part VIII) Program

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History of Sewage Regulations

 PHSD was contracted by the Ministry of the Environment to enforce the regulation which lasted until 1997. This included funding from the MOE.



- In 1998 sewage regulations were transferred to the Ontario Building Code. At this point funding was removed.
- The principal authorities were identified in 1998 which gave the Northern Health Units responsibility.

Legislative Authority

Enforcement, Boards of Health

3.1(1) A board of health, a planning board or a conservation authority prescribed in the building code is responsible for the enforcement of the provisions of this Act and the building code related to sewage systems in the municipalities and territory without municipal organization prescribed in the building code. 1997, c. 30, Sched. B, s. 3; 1999, c. 12, Sched. M, s. 20).

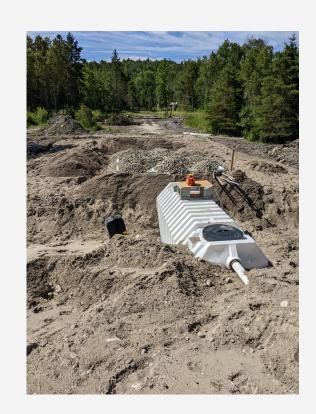
Cost of Running the Program

- Fees paid by the applicants are used in order to recover the cost of running this program.
 - Section 7.(2) The total amount of the fees authorized under clause (1)(c) must not exceed the anticipated reasonable cost of the principal authority to administer and enforce this Act in its area of jurisdiction.



Purpose of any Sewage System

- All sewage systems from a pit privy to Class IV dispersal beds are constructed so that bacteria from the sewage is removed before it enters the ground water table or a surface supply such as lakes and rivers.
- No sewage system removes chemicals such as nitrogen and phosphorus.



Inspection Numbers

Type of Permit	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022*
Building Permit Applications (Class 2, 4, 5 Sewage Systems)	322	265	263	356	497	346
Renovation Permit Applications	171	155	174	191	213	159
Severance Applications	33	28	40	32	67	58
Other Government Agencies	1	0	1	0	0	0
File Search and Copy of Record	66	48	26	11	16	14
Mandatory Maintenance Inspections	57	40	36	38	34	60

^{*2022} statistics are to October 31, 2022

1. Building Permit Applications

- Applications to install a sewage system (grey water pits, septic system, holding tanks) are reviewed to ensure that they meet Building Code regulations.
- A minimum of 3 site inspections are required before a Completion Notice is issued.

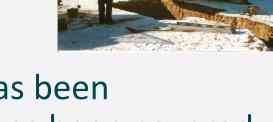


1. Building Permit Applications

1st inspection

Onsite to confirm details of the application prior to construction.

2nd inspection



Carried out once the system has been installed and before anything has been covered.

3rd inspection

Carried out after the system has been covered and the area has been seeded/sodded to prevent erosion.

2. Renovation Permit Applications

- Renovation Permits are applications to:
 - Add to an existing building
 - Change the use of an existing building
 - Construct an accessory structure such as a deck, garage, swimming pool.



3. Severance Applications

 Applications to sever lots from an existing parcel of land require comments from PHSD regarding their suitability for the installation of a septic tank and tile bed on both retained and severed lots.

4. Other Government Agencies

 Comments pertaining to private sewage systems are requested by provincial and/or municipal agencies in unusual circumstances.

e.g. Purchase of additional crown land in order to install sewage system on existing property. (Requested by Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry).

5. File Search and Copy of Record

- A copy of record is a request from homeowners looking for previous sewage system applications and permits for their property.
- A file search includes septic files plus any other regulatory files. These are normally for business properties such as industrial, retail or rental.

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6. Mandatory Maintenance Inspections (MMI)

- Sewage systems located within a vulnerable drinking water area (designated by the Source water protection plan) must be inspected every 5 years.
 - Inspection ensure compliance with the Ontario Building Code.
 - Inspections shall be visual only to ensure no sewage ponding on the surface of the ground.

6. Frequency of MMI

- There are 224 sewage systems as identified by Sudbury's Source Water Protection Committee that are required to be inspected once every 5 years.
- 2021 was the 10th year of the program and there has been only 1 system that had an issue, and the situation was corrected immediately.



7. Sewage Complaints

- Inspection of properties are carried out following a complaint that a sewage system is malfunctioning.
- Compliance is sought through co-operation between the owner and Public Health.
- Failure to correct a problem with a system can result in either a Part 1 ticket or a Part 3 Summons to appear in court.



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