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HEALTH DEPARTMENT POLICY 91-19

Modification of linear feet of septic system trench based on availability of rock.

Installers of septic systems shall be allowed, on a case by case basis, to shorten the called for linear footage of septic trenches by up to 5% if the amount of available rock to fill the trenches is short. The purpose of this policy is to prevent an installer from having to purchase an entire truck load of rock to fill in only 5% of the linear footage.

Installers will also be allowed to install the linear footage of trench in a manner different from the usual if they encounter problems digging the trenches (such as large boulders) that would dictate splitting one long trench into two shorter trenches. This decision can be made by an installer without consultation with the Health Department as long as there are not immediate setback problems close to the leachfield. In that case approval from the Health Department should be sought.

This does not allow the installer to modify in any way the depth, width, or total overall linear footage of the trenches.

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