

**Sewage Handling and Disposal Regulations
Programmatic and Administrative Subgroup
Tuesday, July 30, 2024 – 10:00 am to 2:00 pm
Meeting Notes**

Meeting Location:

5th Floor Main Conference Room, 109 Governor Street, Richmond, Virginia, 23219

Virtual Participation Available Via Webex:

<https://vdhoep.webex.com/vdhoep/j.php?MTID=mf4afb7f560ade5038898d703b7505d35>

In Attendance:

Anne Powell, Lance Gregory, Andy Carter, Adam Feris, Curtis Moore, Derek Hunt, Neil Zahradka, Rachel Kulp, Ryder Bunce, Shawn Carman, Tanya Pettus, Wesley Marshall, Anthony Creech, Mike Lynn, David Fridley, Greg Garber, Holly Miller, Jermaine Niblett, Josh Hepner, Kevin Wastler, Mitch Rieley, Steve Valentine, Toinette Waldon

Agenda:

1. Welcome / brief introductions (15 min.)
2. Follow-up from 2022 subgroup meetings (15 min.)
3. Draft regulation concerning Section 250 through Section 350 (45 min.)
 - a. Suggested revision to Section 250 to include a requirement for a statement from OSE/PE when design is more than 2 years older than application for permit.
 - b. Suggested revision to the types of systems in Section 250 to more appropriately fit the current program; plus clarification of conventional versus alternative and small versus large onsite sewage systems
 - c. Conditional Construction Permits
 - i. Eliminate the option for reduced water flow devices, seasonal use, and temporary use.
 - ii. Limited occupancy conditional permits are impossible to enforce.
 - d. Modifications to Certification Letter regulations; especially considering critical impact areas with the impacts of climate change
 - e. Issuing construction permits directly to a licensed professional (instead of a property owner) – no conclusion reached during discussion
 - f. Changes to Section 350 regarding failure of an onsite sewage system
4. Draft regulation concerning Section 490 (15 min.)
5. Draft regulation concerning Secondary Safety Devices (15 min.)
6. Draft regulation concerning abandonment of onsite sewage systems (30 min.)
 - a. When the components are no longer part of a permitted onsite sewage system
 - b. Would abandonment permits be required?
7. Additional discussion (90 min.)
8. Next steps / meeting conclusion (15 min.)
 - a. Meeting notes will be posted in Town Hall
 - b. Next meeting – August 29 at 10am