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SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM SPECIFICATIONS WORKSHEET

Address: 1961 Old Annapolis

Subdivision: Santoro Prop. Lot: 4

Table with 4 columns: Replacement type, Application rate, Effective area beginning depth, Bottom maximum depth. Values are handwritten: 1.2, 4, 8 for all three rows.

Design Flow = 150 gallons per day per bedroom

Design flow ÷ application rate = square footage of drainfield required

Linear length of trench required = drainfield square footage x sidewall reduction percentage ÷ trench width

Sidewall reduction credit formula:

(W + 2) / (W + 1 + 2D) x 100 = Percent of length of standard trench where W=trench width and D= depth between effective area beginning depth and trench bottom.

Standard design requirements:

- Trenches must be located to provide room for 3 systems in the disposal area
• All trenches must be equal length unless low pressure dosed
• All trenches must be on contour
• Tank and trenches must be placed as shallow as possible while maintaining 2% fall in pipe from house and at least 18" cover over trenches. If 2% fall from house is not possible, the minimum allowable fall is 1%.
• Minimum trench spacing: 10' for all trenches utilizing sidewall reduction credit. Additional spacing may be necessary for any trench using over 3.5' of effective sidewall. In those cases, the spacing formula is 2D + W up to a maximum spacing of 18'.
• Minimum trench spacing for trenches with no sidewall credit (bottom area only) is 6' for a 2' wide trench and 9' for a 3' wide trench (spacing is measured edge to edge)
• Maximum trench length is 100'
• Maximum pipe depth is 4'

Additional requirements:

Approved: [Signature] Date: \_\_\_\_\_