
 <p>THURSTON COUNTY Washington Est. 1852</p> <p>Public Health & Social Services POLICY</p>	Policy Title MAXIMUM DENSITY REQUIREMENTS IN CATEGORY I AQUIFER RECHARGE AREAS	
	Number ONST.20.POL.856	Effective Date 06/21/2023
	Latest Approval Date 06/21/2023	Approved By Art Starry
	Next Review Date 06/29/2029	
POLICY INTENT		
Purpose	This policy states Environmental Health's minimum land area requirements for Category I Aquifer Recharge Areas on existing legal lots of record and newly created parcels. It augments Table VII of Article IV and Title 24, Section 24.10.160 Table 10-2 of the Thurston County Critical Areas Ordinance.	
Scope	<input type="checkbox"/> Internal Only <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Direct Impact to Citizens	
Are Office/Department Documents on this subject permitted?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes, the policy clarifies regulations used only by the Environmental Health Division (Article IV and WAC 246-272A), and how Environmental Health interprets the Thurston County Critical Areas Ordinance.	<input type="checkbox"/> No
POLICY STATEMENT		
<p>The following minimum land area requirements apply for single-family residences or unit volume of sewage for multi-family/non-residential facilities when a parcel that will utilize an on-site sewage system (OSS) in Soil Types 1 through 4 listed as Category I soil series in Thurston County Critical Areas Ordinance Title 24, 10-4:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Individual wells – minimum one (1) acre. Public water – minimum .49 acres. <p><u>A two-connection residential single family well is no longer considered a public water supply and cannot be used to justify a higher density than one acre for each single-family residence.</u></p>		
DEFINITIONS AND ACRONYMS		
OSS	On-Site Sewage System	
RELEVANT LAWS AND OTHER SUPPORTING INFORMATION		
County Code State Law State Rule Other Sources	Article IV, Section 21, Table VII Title 24 of the County Code of Ordinances: Critical Areas Ordinance, Chapter 24, Tables 10-2 and 10-4.	
Superseded Documents	ONST.14.POL.856	
Supporting Documents	N/A	
Related Documents	N/A	
Communication and Implementation Strategy	The Policy Administrator will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> coordinate the review of the Office/Department Documents to ensure consistency Send signed updated policy to OSS Professionals and Staff through Constant Contact e-mail. Post signed updated policy to Division's OSS Professionals Webpage and PHSS intranet site. 	

POLICY ADMINISTRATION		
Policy Owner	Steve Petersen/Program Manager, Environmental Health Division	
Contact Person (if different from above)		
Roles and Responsibilities	Laura Blakely	Policy Administrator
REVISION HISTORY		
Effective Date	Approved By	Modifications
06/21/2023	 Art Starry/Environmental Health Director	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Policy Update Corrected lower density to higher density
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Reviewers of the Current Revision	Brad Sangston / EHS II _____ Name/Title	_____ Name/Title
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FURTHER INFORMATION	
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