

## If You Install PLASTIC

### Tanks:

- Unscrew the lids for inspection
  - Ensure an effluent filter is installed
- Ensure an inlet 'T' is installed
- Check manufacturer's specs regarding bedding and shading requirements

### Did You Know?

If you install a different type of chamber than indicated on the Construction Authorization (Form C), you need to get a revision done through Development Services (EXAMPLE: Form C calls for Quick 4 Standard chambers and you install Quick 4 High Capacity chambers).

A revision is also required if you install a chamber system when a gravel system is indicated on Form C and vice versa.

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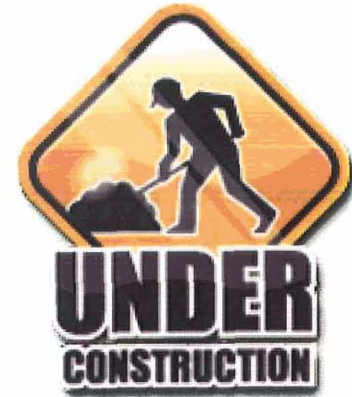
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# CONTROLLING THE OUTCOME OF YOUR SEPTIC INSPECTION: VOLUME 2



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If you perform **ROUTINE** work to maintain a septic system, you do not need a **Notice of Intent to Discharge (NOID)**.

### What is an NOID?

*It is a form submitted to Pima County DEQ to obtain authorization to construct and operate a septic tank and disposal works (perforated pipes or chambers in trenches).*

### What is considered ROUTINE work?

**(Therefore, you do not need to submit an NOID.)**

- Pumping out the septic tank
- Repairing or replacing a broken tank baffle
- Replacing a damaged sanitary tee
- Replacing cracked/damaged pipes in the leach field
- Leveling or replacing the distribution/junction box
- Cleaning or replacing the effluent filter
- Repairing a cracked tank

**What is NOT considered routine work? (A.A.C R18-9-A309(A)(9))**  
**(Therefore, you need to submit an NOID, all required paperwork and fees. Applicable fees established in Title 7.03.125)**

- Replacing the septic tank
- Replacing the leach field
- Changing from one type of treatment or disposal works to a different one
- Extending the disposal works more than 10 feet beyond the original footprint
- Converting a system from gravity-fed to one requiring a pump or other powered equipment for disposal or treatment
- Reconstructing any part of the disposal works in soil that is inadequate for the wastewater flow or strength
- Reconstructing the disposal works so that it does not meet vertical separation or setback requirements (A312G/Form F)
- Increasing the daily design flow



### Tips For Inspection Success

#### Observation Ports:

- Required at the ends of all trenches in both gravel and chamber systems
- NO perforations (holes) ABOVE grade (this can contribute to disease-carrying organisms)
- Must be capped
- In chamber systems, either perforate below the chamber or install a coupler to prevent the pipe from going all the way to the ground

#### As-Built Plans

- The As-Built Plan should be an accurate reflection of what the installed system looks like. Draw minor changes (i.e. the leach lines exit the D-box on the middle and left sides instead of on the right and left) so that what the inspectors see in the ground is reflected on the As-Built Plan. Major changes, such as relocating the leach lines, require a revision through Development Services **PRIOR TO INSPECTION**.

#### Original Paperwork Required

- Ensure **ORIGINAL** copies of the As-Built Plan and Construction Authorization (Form C) are present. Photocopies that do not have an original stamp from Development Services will result in the inspection being rejected.