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DISTRICT HEALTH DIRECTOR

Thad D. King, MPH

Memo 02-3

To: Chatham Health District Staff
From: Thad D. King, Director of Health
Re: Soil Testing for Onsite Septic Systems
Date: 10/2/02

To assure the accuracy of the soil testing results and to determine suitability for each lot, testing shall be performed in the following manner:

1. Deep pit and percolation observations will be recorded and reported by the district health department.
2. In applications for multiple lot testing, such as large subdivisions, and at the discretion of the district, deep pit and percolation observations may be recorded and reported by the applicant's engineer, if done in coordination with the district under a mutually agreed upon format. For all observations recorded by the applicant's engineer, the district may require confirmation of results through additional testing.