

To: Board of Health

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Date: November 14, 2014

Re: Proposed updates to:

- Lincoln Municipal Code 24.38 Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems
- City of Lincoln Design Standards 4.10 – Design Standards, Operation and Maintenance of Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems;
- County Resolution R-13-0062 Procedures for Regulating Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems; and
- County Resolution R-02-31 Design Standards for the Regulation of Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems.

The Health Department is proposing to update Lincoln Municipal Code 24.38 and County Resolution R-13-0062 to be more consistent with the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality's (NDEQ) Title 124–Rules and Regulations for the Design, Operation and Maintenance of Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems, which was updated in 2012. In addition, the Health Department is proposing to rescind Design Standards 4.10 and County Resolution R-02-31, since NDEQ Title 124 will be adopted by reference.

A comprehensive summary of the proposed changes is attached. No fee changes are proposed.

In October, all locally registered onsite wastewater treatment system installers were provided a summary of the changes and invited to provide feedback. Three public meetings were held in October to discuss these changes. No opposition was identified.

Staff recommends Board of Health approval of these proposed changes.
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