

Whitman County Environmental Health

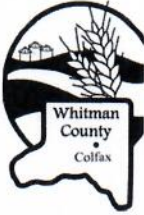
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MALDEN/PINE CITY: SEPTIC SYSTEM RECONNECTION

Whitman County Health Department is committed to the rebuilding Malden and Pine City. In an effort to be as supportive as possible, we are waiving all permitting fees associated with septic installation in Malden and Pine City. Below are approved processes for reconnection to existing systems and new septic system installation in Malden and Pine City reconstruction projects.

Existing Septic System Reconnection:

Permit on File: If the existing system has a permit on file, reconnection will be approved so long as the proposed building structure does not encroach on the septic system. A site plan will be required (a drawing of the septic system in relation to the proposed building). If the permit is greater than 10 years old, a septic assessment will be required unless the system has been pumped within the last 5 years.

No Permit on File: If the existing septic system has no permit on file, a **system assessment** will be required. If the assessment is in "*Satisfactory Condition*", reconnection will be approved so long as the proposed building structure does not encroach on the septic system. A site plan will be required (a drawing of the septic system in relation to the proposed building).

New Septic System:

A new septic system for a newly built or reconstructed home can be done through the full septic system permitting process. A site evaluation is required (the homeowner must provide a backhoe and operator on site at the time of evaluation). During the site evaluation, the soil type is assessed, which determines the required drain field size and any site restrictions that exist. The design is submitted and reviewed by our department. Once approved, a Construction permit is issued. Before covering the new installation, a final inspection and as-built drawing is required.