

**RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT
OF INTERIM TECHNICAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE STANDARDS
FOR THE GERMAN-JEFFERSON SUBORDINATE SERVICE DISTRICT**

WHEREAS; LE SUEUR COUNTY, in accordance with M.S. 375.B.04 has established a Subordinate Service District;

WHEREAS; LE SUEUR COUNTY, will enact a Subsurface Sewage Treatment System (SSTS) Ordinance which delineates the County's authority and responsibilities for the administration and enforcement of these requirements for the protection of the health, safety, and welfare of the public. And that this ordinance further provides for the granting of variances from these requirements; and

WHEREAS; LE SUEUR COUNTY has recognized that some densely populated areas have physical limitations which preclude the continued long term utilization of on-site sewage systems to provide adequate sewage treatment and may not be suitable for the construction of a complying on-site SSTS under the current standards; and

WHEREAS; the shoreland areas of the German-Jefferson Lakes, lies within the townships of Elysian, Cordova, Cleveland, and Washington and have undergone redevelopment into high density residential homes; and

WHEREAS; the residents located within the shoreland areas of German-Jefferson Lakes have formed the German-Jefferson Subordinate Service District under the authority of M.S. 375.B.04 for the purpose of development and upgrade to individual SSTS, cluster SSTS, and/or collection and treatment of sewage at a municipal waste water treatment facility; and

WHEREAS; LE SUEUR COUNTY finds that it would be counter productive to require strict adherence to all the requirements of the SSTS Ordinance which will not adversely impact the health, safety and welfare of the public in the short term; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; the Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners directs the Environmental Services Staff to administer and enforce the SSTS Ordinance in accordance with the Interim Technical and Administrative SSTS Standards adopted by the Board and made part of this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED; that this resolution shall be rescinded on or upon discovery of upgraded individual SSTS, cluster SSTS, and/or collection and treatment of sewage at a municipal waste water treatment facility.


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COUNTY OF LE SUEUR

I, Darrell Pettis, County Administrator of said County of Le Sueur, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy with the original resolution as adopted by the County Board of said County at their meeting held on the 12th day July 2011 and recorded in Commissioner Record Book now remaining on file and on record in my office and that the same is a correct transcript there from, and of the whole of such original.

Witness by hand and official seal this 12th day of July 2011.



County Administrator

**LE SUEUR COUNTY I
INTERIM SUBSURFACE SEWAGE TREATMENT STANDARDS (SSTS)
FOR
GERMAN-JEFFERSON SUBORDINATE SERVICE DISTRICT**

Effective Date: Shall become effective prior to or at the start of the inventory process.

Upgrading Non-Complying Systems:

- Imminent Health Threats: Shall be upgraded within ten (10) months of the date of the compliance inspection. To bring systems into compliance, allow property owners to install a holding tank for temporary use with a valid pumping contract and operating permit detailing the location of the sewage disposal. The holding tank will only be permitted until **December 31, 2017.**
- Non-Imminent Health Threats (Failing to Protect Groundwater): Shall be upgraded on or before **December 31, 2017.**

Holding Tanks: The Department will require pumping contracts and operating permits.

Property Transfer:

- Continue to require a compliance inspection at the time of sale. The compliance inspection will then be on file with the Department.
- Inform the buyer and seller of the sewer district inventory and what the County's interim standards are for non-compliance.

Permits:

- The issuance of any zoning permit (building, variance, conditional use permit, shoreland restoration) shall continue to require a compliance inspection to determine the compliance status.
- Non-imminent health threats shall be upgraded on or before **December 31, 2017.**
- Imminent health threats shall have ten (10) months to update from the date of the compliance inspection.
- Any current deadlines on file with the Department shall be subject to the above listed deadlines.
- Non-participation with the Inventory: Continue with current SSTS program.
- Inventory Started: The County will allow installation of the septic tank(s) for use as a holding tank with a valid pumping contract and operating permit. The holding tank will only be allowed until **December 31, 2017.**
- The potential drainfield area shall be fenced off for protection from building and/or disturbance.