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Press Release

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PUBLIC MEETING FOR NEW STATE SEPTIC REGULATIONS

The County of Santa Cruz will hold a virtual public meeting on Wednesday, June 23 to discuss the implementation of new state regulations governing onsite wastewater treatment systems, also known as septic systems.

With 27,700 known septic systems in the county, the proposed draft Local Area Management Program (LAMP) will impact permitting and oversight for significant portions of the county. The new regulations are required by the State Water Resources Control Board to protect water quality and public health. Members of the Regional Water Quality Control Board will share information and answer questions.

Draft versions of the LAMP were released for public review and comment in November 2020. The proposals address repair standards and difficult or sloped properties, as well as properties near waterways, among other issues.

WHAT: Local Area Management Plan (LAMP) Public Meeting

WHEN: Wednesday, June 23, 2021, 5:30 p.m.-7 p.m.

WHERE. https://tinyurl.com/3xknf8dn

(Call in only: +1 916-318-9542, Conference ID: 91806369#)

The public comment period for the proposed regulations ends July 11, 2021. To comment, email env.hlth@santacruzcounty.us with the subject line "LAMP comments", or send snail mail to Environmental Health; 701 Ocean Street, Room 312; Santa Cruz CA 95060; Attention: LAMP Coordinator.