

TOWN OF GRAVENHURST
On-Site Re-Inspection Program Process

The re-inspection program implemented in the year 2000 has been conducted with the intention of targeting private sewage systems that may be causing pollution, or pollution caused through the absence of a sewage system.

The inspection process involves:

- * The selection of properties with the aid of the Town's GIS program and the accumulation of information pertaining to previous sewage system records.
- * The re-inspection student inspector conducts the initial visual site inspection.
- * A **visual** inspection of the selected properties with respect to:

- (1) Type of building
- (2) Type of tank
- (3) Type of system
- (4) Evidence of sewage effluent visible and/or odour
- (5) Evidence of erosion of septic bed side slopes
- (6) Whether the groundwater flows toward the system
- (7) If the sewage system is properly located on the property
- (8) If the septic tank is properly located on the property
- (9) Whether the sewage system bed has trees/vegetation growth
- (10) Whether the system is located more than 15 metres (50 Feet) from the water
- (11) Whether there is a privy located on the property
- (12) Whether the property is water access
- (13) Whether the sewage system serves more than one building
- (14) If the sewage system uses a pump chamber
- (15) Whether a sewage system approval exists

- * A letter is sent to the owner of the property if any deficiencies are noted and a follow up is conducted in the form of a phone call, another letter or further inspections, if required.
- * The Town's Septic/Building Inspector conducts the follow-up abatement.