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Lake County Environmental Health

Exemptions from property Transfer of Title Inspection requirements

If the OWTS is not functioning according to design, the system must be repaired so it is functioning appropriately without risk to public health or environment. Photo documentation of all malfunctions and failures must be submitted to LCPHA with the applicable inspection report. A conditional acceptance document may be issued by LCPHA.

A Transfer of Title Acceptance Document will not be required under the following circumstances:

- 1. The entire OWTS serving the dwelling or structure was installed and given final LCPHA approval less than five years before the property sale closing date. An inspection will be required if any part of the OWTS is more than five years old (building sewer line is excluded).
- 2. The change in property ownership is solely to include or exclude a spouse.
- 3. The property transfer is creating or ending a joint ownership if at least one person is an original owner of the property and/or the spouse of an original property owner.
- 4. The property transfer contains a building or buildings connected to an OWTS that will be demolished (or already has been), and the building/buildings will not be occupied after the property transfer occurs.
- 5. The property transfer is being made to a trust that is in the same name as the property owner.
- 6. The property transfer is to affect the foreclosure or forfeiture of real property.
- 7. The property owner or person acquiring the title has signed an enforceable agreement with LCPHA to repair the OWTS.
- 8. The property owner will connect the dwelling or occupied building to a sanitary sewer or wastewater treatment system within two years following transfer of title, provided that such agreement has been disclosed to and is binding on the subsequent owner(s).
- 9. The property owner is part of a community plan for which their OWTS has received written approval from Lake County Govt and LCPHA, and the OWTS has been inspected, per plan requirements.

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