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NOTICE

ONSITE WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM (OWTS)

DRAIN ROCK

Improper rock is the most common violation noted during OWTS construction inspections by the Environmental Health Division (Division) Liquid Waste Program staff. Use of non-complying rock for leach lines, seepage pits, sand filters, and mounds dramatically increase material and labor costs, resulting in project delays. It is the installer's responsibility to ensure the proper rock is delivered to the job site.

Rock must be inspected & approved by the Division before installation

A sample of the rock can be provided to the Division for a preliminary inspection prior to delivery of the full load. Call 805/477-7136 to arrange for a preliminary inspection and to schedule construction inspections. All rock used in OWTS installations must meet the following specifications.

Rock shall be CLEAN and FREE of fines and be sized between ³/₄" – 2 ¹/₂"

NOTE: Rock not complying with these specifications will be rejected

Drain Rock Inspection Procedures:

- <u>Inspection 1</u>: During the first inspection, leave seepage pit(s) or leach line trenches open and empty for your inspector to measure and verify. Septic rock shall be onsite for preliminary inspection.
- **Inspection 2**: For the second inspection, seepage pit(s) or leach line trenches shall have pipe, rock, and, septic tank connections installed.