

SUFFOLK COUNTY'S SEPTIC IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (SIP)

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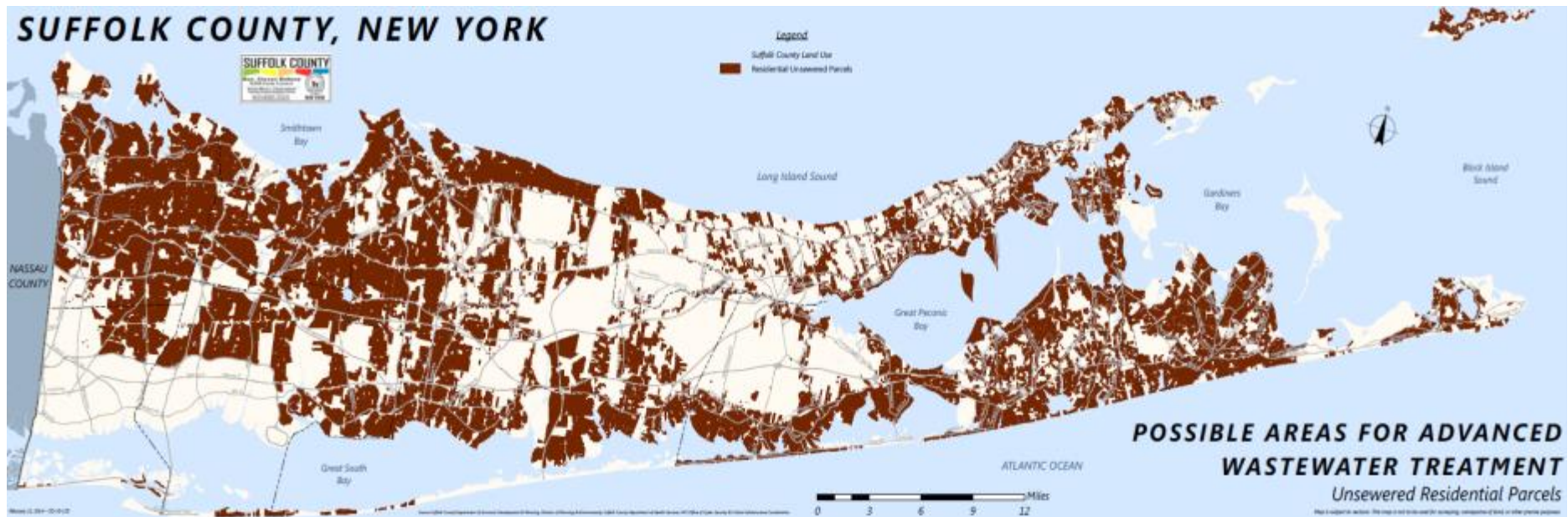
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74% NON-PERFORMING WASTEWATER TREATMENT

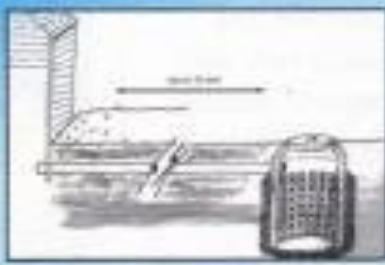
- Approximately 360,000 onsite sewage disposal system
- 209,000 systems in priority areas
- Approximately 252,530 pre-date requirement for septic tank





CESSPOOLS

Cesspool

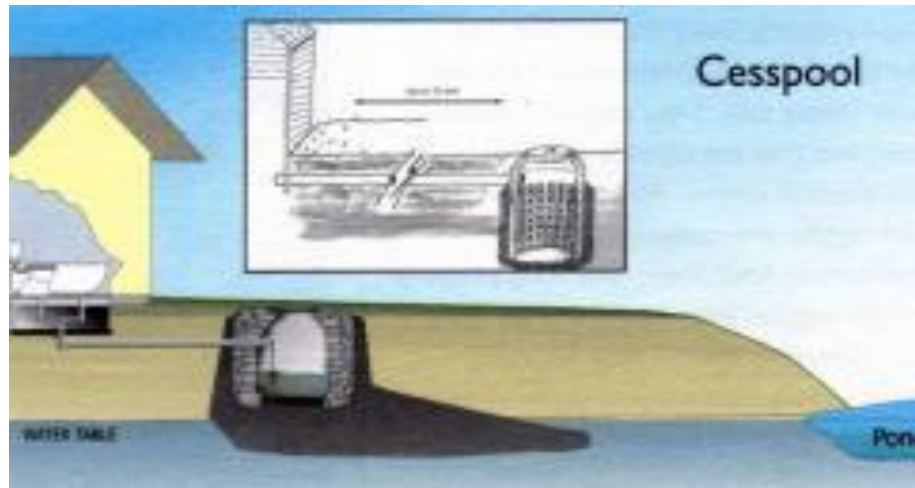


WATER TABLE

Pond



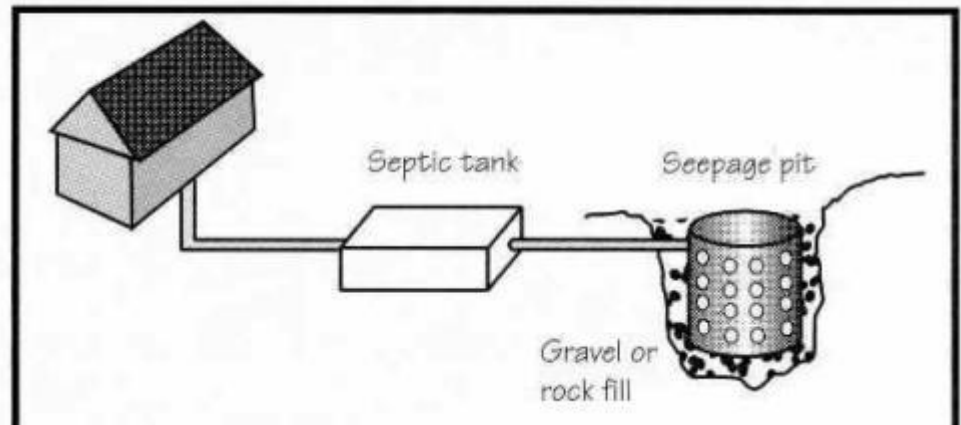
CESSPOOLS



Cesspools – ~250,000 in Suffolk County

- ✓ Cesspools are little more than holes in the ground that discharge raw, untreated human waste and can contaminate surface and groundwater sources and contributes to harmful algal blooms
- ✓ Untreated wastewater from cesspools contains pathogens such as bacteria, protozoa and viruses that can cause gastroenteritis, Hepatitis A, conjunctivitis, leptospirosis, salmonellosis and cholera
- ✓ EPA banned large capacity cesspools and strongly discourages use of small cesspools.
- ✓ Outlawed in Suffolk County for New Construction Since 1973
- ✓ Homeowners can currently replace failed cesspools in-kind
- ✓ Cesspool average installations range from \$2,000 - \$4,000

CONVENTIONAL SEPTIC SYSTEMS



Conventional Septic Systems – ~110,000 in Suffolk County

- ✓ Conventional systems consist of a septic tank before leaching structure (In most cases a leaching pool)
- ✓ Tanks collect solids, reduce BOD, TSS, other contaminants and protect leaching structure from excessive solids and clogging
- ✓ Conventional system installations typically range from \$6,000 - \$8,000
- ✓ **This is the minimum code compliant system required**
- ✓ **Permitted when a site meets Article 6 Density**



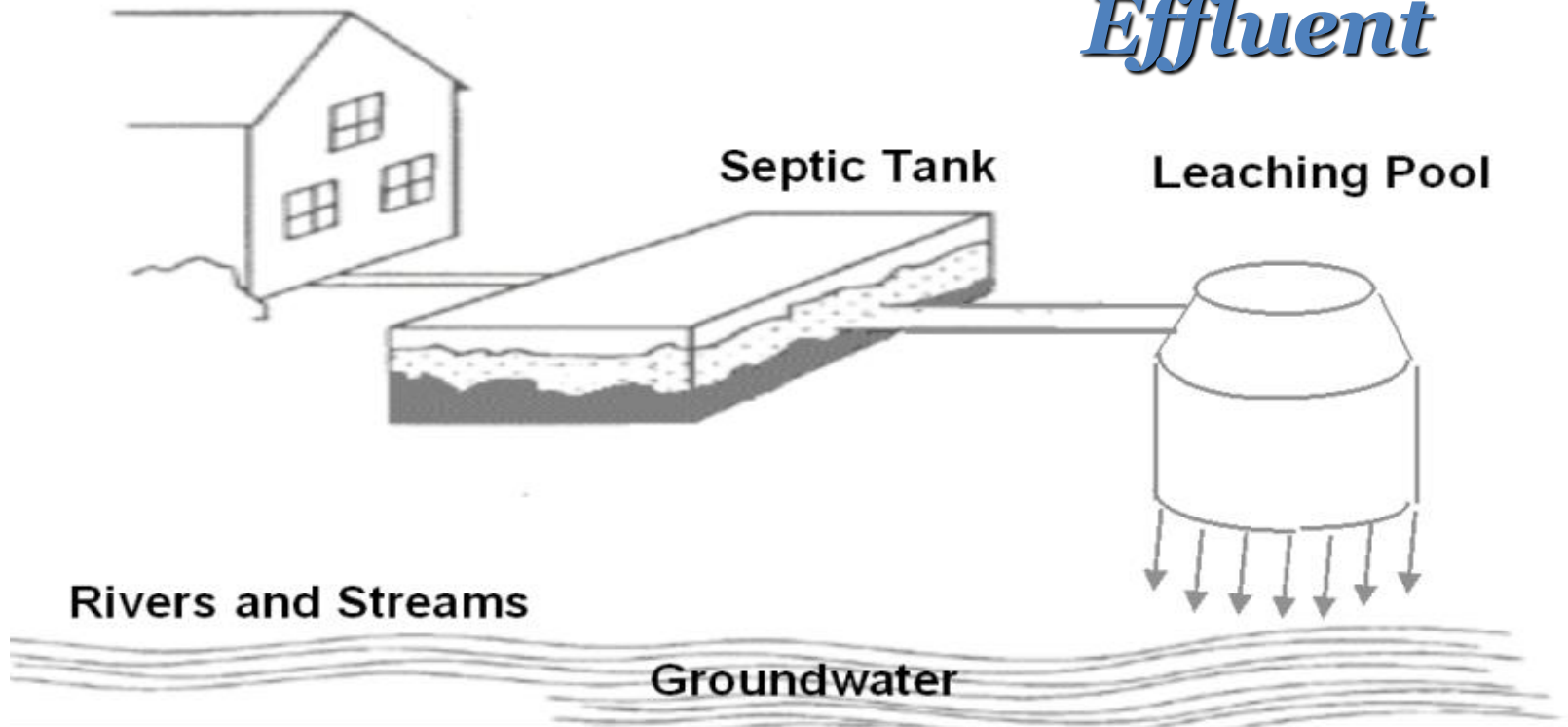
STARTING JULY 1, 2019

- Permits/filing for replacements or retrofits of existing sewage disposal systems are required
- Require filing indicating system components installed when property owner decides system needs to be replaced/retrofitted
- Require installation of a system substantially conforming to standards (Best-Fit)
 - Current standards require a septic tank + leaching structure at a minimum



Conventional Sanitary Systems

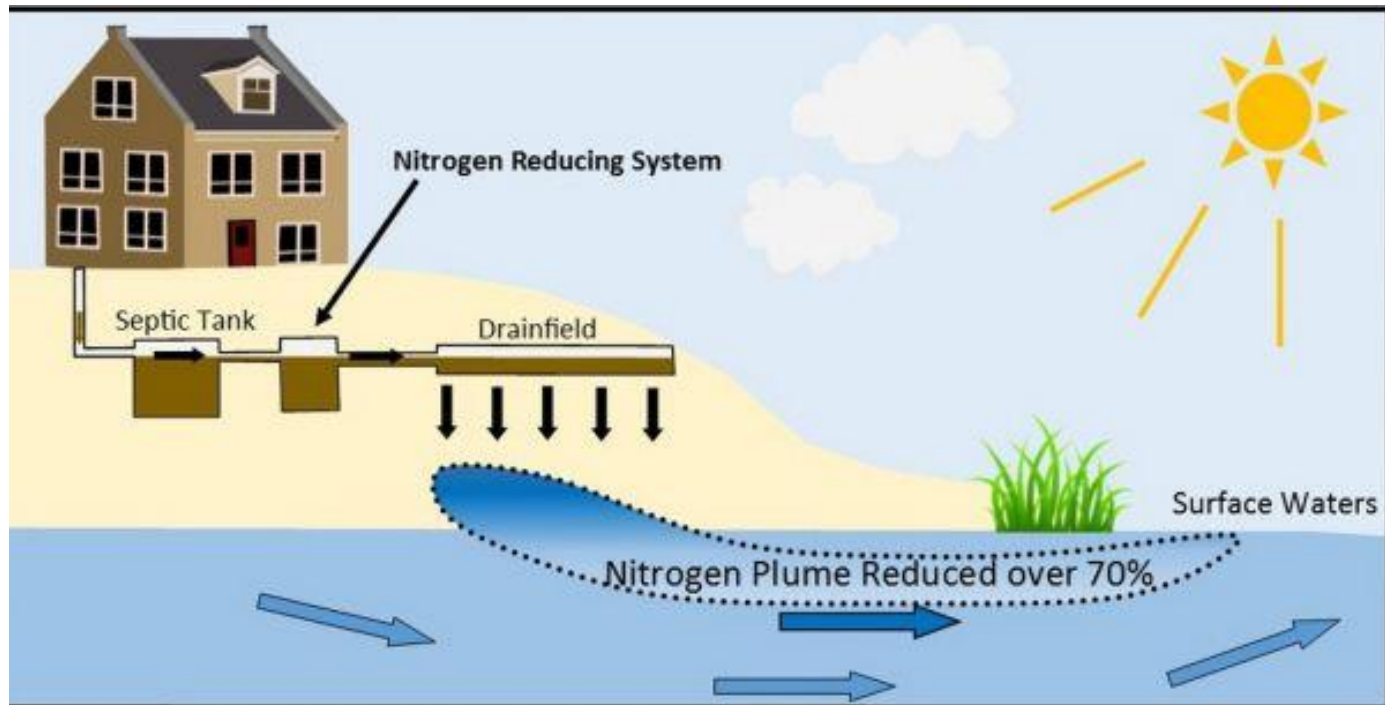
*~60-80 mg/l TN
Effluent*



****INNOVATIVE & ALTERNATIVE ONSITE WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM (I/A OWTS)WILL REMOVE ~50 -70% OF TOTAL NITROGEN COMPARED TO CONVENTIONAL SYSTEM**



I/A OWTS



I/A OWTS ~634 Approved in Suffolk County

- ✓ Advanced treatment systems that reduce BOD, TSS and remove up to 70% of Total nitrogen.
- ✓ Allowed on Voluntary basis in SC since 2016
- ✓ I/A OWTS designs & installations have an average cost of \$17-22 thousand
- ✓ **THESE CHANGES DO NOT REQUIRE I/A OWTS**

Performance Summary of I/A OWTS Demonstrated in Suffolk County and Approved for Provisional Use

Technology	AVG (mg/L)*	Provisional Approval
Hydro-Action AN Series	11.6 mg/L	Approved in September 2016
Norweco – Singulair TNT	18.3 mg/L	Approved in October 2016
Orenco Advantex – RT	18.8 mg/L	Approved in March 2017
Norweco – Hydro-Kinetic	17.4 mg/L	Approved in April 2017
Fuji Clean System	16.6 mg/L	Approved in January 2018
SeptiTech STAAR	13.6 mg/L	Approved in July 2018

*Standard is 19mg/L

PROVISIONALLY APPROVED I/A OWTS



**Hydro-Action -
347**



**Fuji Clean
System - 412**



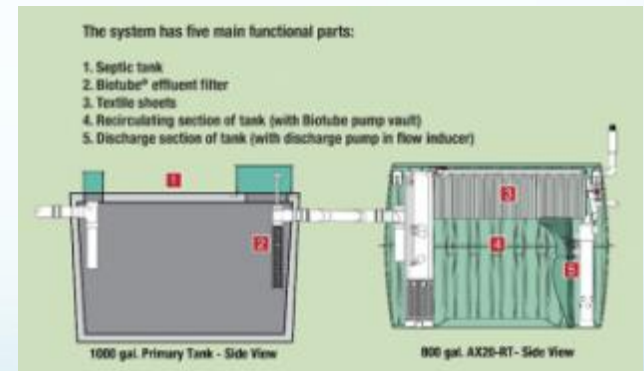
**Norweco
Singlair TNT - 242**



**Norweco
Hydrokinetic - 8**



**SeptiTech
STAAR- 12**



**Orenco Advantex
AX-RT - 30**

3 Additional Technologies expecting approval



Suffolk County Septic Improvement Program (SIP)

SUFFOLK COUNTY'S SEPTIC IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM



APPROVED LOCAL LAW

Intro. Res. No. -2017

Laid on Table 3/28/2017

Introduced by Presiding Officer on request of the County Executive

**RESOLUTION NO. -2017, ADOPTING LOCAL LAW
NO. -2017, A LOCAL LAW TO ESTABLISH A GRANT
ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR THE INSTALLATION OF
INNOVATIVE AND ALTERNATIVE ONSITE WASTEWATER
TREATMENT SYSTEMS**

WHEREAS, there was duly presented and introduced to this County Legislature at a meeting held on , 2017, a proposed local law entitled, "A LOCAL LAW TO ESTABLISH A GRANT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR THE INSTALLATION OF INNOVATIVE AND ALTERNATIVE ONSITE WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEMS"; now, therefore be it

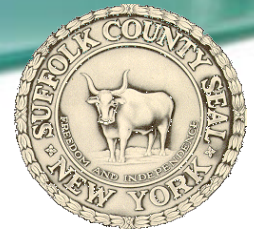
RESOLVED, that said local law be enacted in form as follows:

LOCAL LAW NO. -2017, SUFFOLK COUNTY, NEW YORK

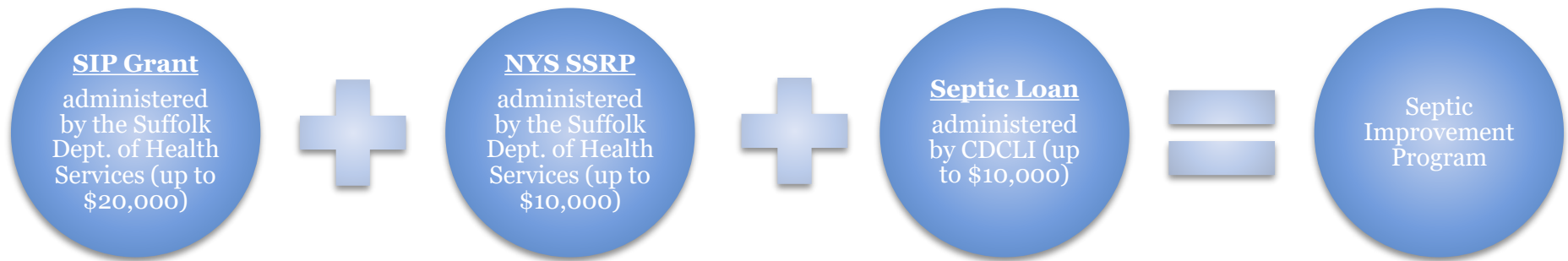
**A LOCAL LAW TO ESTABLISH A GRANT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR
THE INSTALLATION OF INNOVATIVE AND ALTERNATIVE ONSITE
WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEMS**



**May 31, 2017
Suffolk County Executive
Steve Bellone signs
SIP into Law**



SEPTIC IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (SIP)



GRANT PROGRAM DETAILS:

- Individual homeowners may be eligible for a Suffolk County base grant up to \$10,000 and an additional.
 - \$5,000 may be available for installation of a Pressurized Shallow Drainfield (PSD)
 - \$5,000 may be available for Low to Moderate income property owners.
- **Homeowner will be responsible for engineering and design services.**

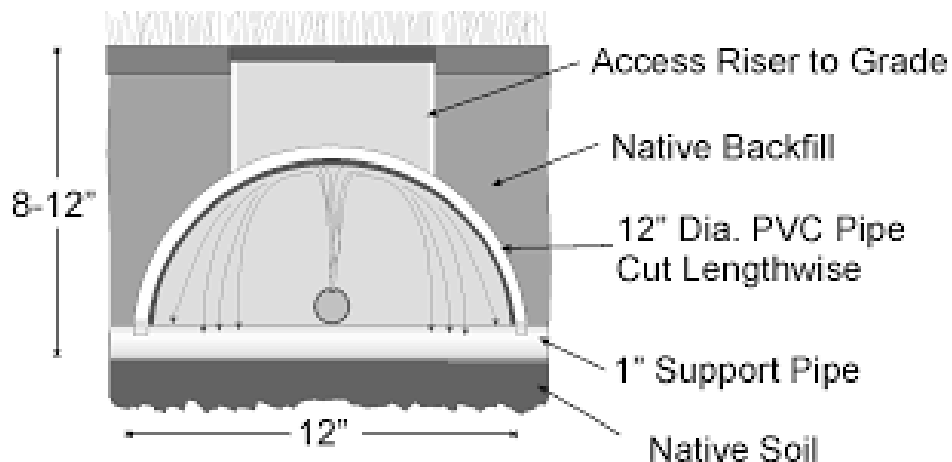
LOAN PROGRAM DETAILS:

- Administered by CDCLI Funding Corporation
- Individual homeowners may be eligible for low cost financing up to \$10,000
- Competitive 3% interest rate
- Repayment term of up to 15 years



THE PRESSURIZED SHALLOW DRAINFIELDS (PSDs)

- Pressurized drainfields that evenly and horizontally distribute treated effluent within 18 inches of the top soil horizon.
- Emphasis on increased microbial activity and nutrient absorption.
- Treated effluent reductions up to 50% TN



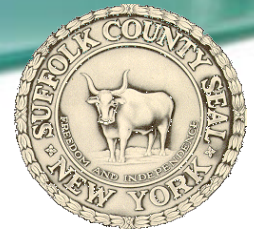


PRESSURIZED SHALLOW DRAINFIELD

A Cheaper and Better Performing Alternative to Mounded Systems

- Typical cost of I/A OWTS to PSD
\$26,000
- Typical Cost of Conventional System
with Mounded Retaining Wall
\$45,000



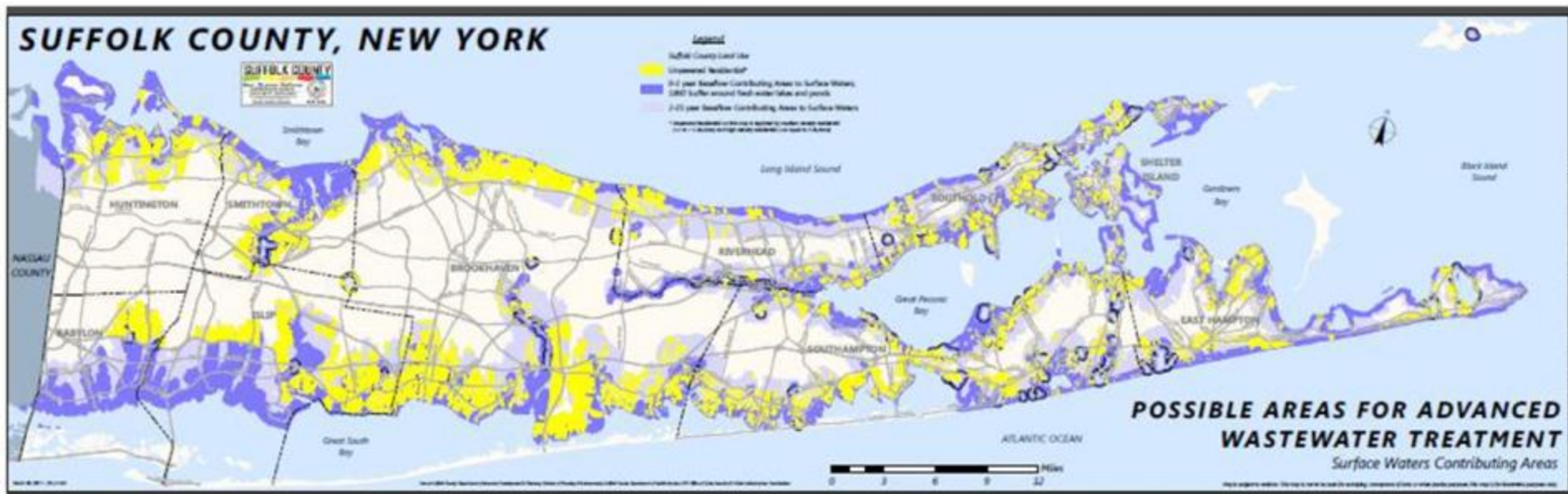


GRANT ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- ✓ The residence must be served by a septic system or cesspool and is not connected to a public sewer or located in any sewer district or any proposed sewer district.
- ✓ New construction is not eligible; however construction projects on existing residences may be eligible.
- ✓ Availability of valid Certificates of Occupancy (CO) or Certificate of Zoning Compliance for the residence.
- ✓ Income verification (Provide a copy of owner (s) most recently filed federal income tax return).
- ✓ Property must not have any tax liens or be in foreclosure

PRIORITY AREAS:

- 1) Parcels located within the Priority Critical Areas (high or medium density parcels within the 0-2 year groundwater travel time or high or medium density residential parcels within 1,000 feet of enclosed water bodies in Suffolk County)
- 2) Parcels located within Critical Areas (high or medium density parcels within the 2-25 year groundwater travel time)
- 3) Parcels located outside Critical Areas



Suffolk County NY - Septic Improvement Program Vendor Cost Ranking Sheet – Rev. March 1, 2019 Scenario 1 for a 4-Bedroom Home

Vendor Quotes: Scenario 1 – I/A OWTS with Reuse of Existing Leaching Structure

Technology (Sorted by Date Approved)	Vendor	Contact	Cost
Hydro-Action AN Series	Clear River Environmental	Dwarren@clearriver.us Eastern Suffolk Office: 631-298-7749 Western Suffolk Office: 631-467-5447	\$14,700.00
	A&A Sewer and Drain Maintenance Inc.	aasewerdrain@gmail.com 631-849-1599	\$15,607.25
	Direct Drainage	DirectDrainage@aol.com 631-472-0677	\$16,578.00
	Quakenbush Cesspools	quackcesspools@ymail.com 631-907-4426	\$17,308.53
	SYP Industries	sypindustries@gmail.com 631-775-0012	\$18,482.66
	Eastern Site Development	info@easternsitedevelopment.com 631-209-4240	\$18,803.00
	South Fork Septic	john@southforkseptic.com 631-283-0333	\$18,817.56
Norweco Singlair TNT	Clear River Environmental	Dwarren@clearriver.us Eastern Suffolk Office: 631-298-7749 Western Suffolk Office: 631-467-5447	\$13,450.00
	Roman Stone Systems LLC	tmontalbine@romanstonesystems.com 631-667-0566 Ext.114	\$16,096.85
	Direct Drainage	DirectDrainage@aol.com 631-472-0677	\$16,197.82
	Ken Rousell, Inc.	kristin@kenrousellinc.com 631-288-2545	\$18,148.62
	Eastern Site Development	info@easternsitedevelopment.com 631-209-4240	\$18,664.15
Orenco Advantex AX20-RT	A&A Sewer and Drain Maintenance Inc.	aasewerdrain@gmail.com 631-849-1599	\$18,115.31

Notes:

1. all estimated costs not highlighted in red would fall under the intended SIP funding limits, not including \$2,500 in estimated design costs that the homeowner is responsible for.

2. All costs exclude Engineering and design costs which is the responsibility of the homeowner.

3. Costs highlighted in red would require additional homeowner out-of-pocket expense

* Shelter Island Sand, Gravel & Contracting Inc. prices apply only to installations on Shelter Island.

Manufacturer & Technology	Local Distributor
Norweco Singulair & Hydro-Kinetic	Tom Montalbino, President Roman Stone Systems LLC 85 South Fourth Street - Bayshore, NY 11706 Web: www.romanstone.com Phone: 631-667-0566 Ext.114 Email: tmontalbino@romanstonesystems.com
Hydro-Action	Joe Densieski, Wastewater Works Inc. 139 Reeves Avenue, Riverhead, NY 11901 Web: www.wastewaterworksinc.com Phone: 631-831-2580
Fuji Clean System	Bryan McGowin, Advanced Wastewater Solutions, LLC PO BOX 1622 - Southampton ,NY 11969 Email: bmcgowin@gmail.com or bryan@awsli.com 631-405-0358 Peder Larsen, Shelter Island Sand, Gravel, & Contracting PO Box 2028 – Shelter Island, NY 11964 (631) 749-1040 sisandgravel@gmail.com
Orenco AX-RT	Lee Essay, Nugent & Potter 1557 County Rd. 39 – Southampton NY 11968 Phone: 631-488-4466 Email: Lee@nugentpotter.com
SeptiTech STAAR	Bob Eichinger, SeptiTech Long Island 24 Hubbard Avenue, Riverhead, NY 11901 Email: Bob@septitechli.com Phone: 631-284-9893

Projected 1-Year Electrical Costs

Technology	1 year electrical consumption (kWh/year)	Increased electrical costs per year (\$0.17/ kWh)
Orenco Advantex AX20-RT	335.8 kWh	\$73.88
Fuji Clean System	463.55 kWh	\$101.98
Hydro-Action AN	734.26 kWh	\$161.54
SeptiTech STAAR	912 kWh	\$200.64
Norweco Singulair TNT	979.66 kWh	\$215.53
Norweco Hydro-Kinetic	1051.2 kWh	\$231.26

Note: the Hydro-Action unit utilizes a mixer pump during start-up. The pump use is discontinued after startup, and usage data will vary after the start-up period.

Septic Improvement Program Notes

- All prices are estimates from Vendor submitted quotes for 4-bedroom I/A OWTS.
- Actual costs may vary based on site constraints. Homeowners are urged to contact Vendors to discuss project specific costs for their Property.
- Grant funding will not exceed \$25,000 for I/A OWTS installed with gravity leaching or \$30,000 for I/A OWTS installed with PSD.

Use of Grant Funds is Not Allowed For:

- Irrigation repairs
- landscaping
- electrical improvements unrelated to the I/A OWTS

Septic Improvement Program – Ongoing Costs

For More Information visit www.ReclaimOurWater.info or call (631) 852-5811

Operations & Maintenance Costs

Technology	One Year Contract Cost
Hydro-Action AN	\$250.00
Orenco Advantex AX20-RT	\$271.66
Fuji Clean Systems	\$300.00
Norweco Hydro-Kinetic	\$300.00
Norweco Singulair TNT	\$315.00
SeptiTech STAAR	\$250.00

* Consult manufacturer for additional warranties specific to their systems. All systems in Suffolk County are sold with a three year warranty, but many manufacturers offer additional warranties on pumps and aerators.

** Complete replacement of control panels is rare and usually associated with lightning strikes. Check with your homeowners insurance to see if these repair costs are covered under your policy.

Estimated Repair and Replacement Costs*

Technology	Item	Cost	Life Expectancy
Norweco Singulair TNT	Aerator Replacement	\$500.00	10 years
	Control Panel Replacement**	\$1,200.00	20 years
Fuji Clean CEN System	Blower Replacement (MAC 80R)	\$320.00	10 years
	Blower Replacement (MAC 100R)	\$420.00	
	Blower Rebuild	\$150.00	
	Float Replacement	\$100.00	5-10 years
	Control Panel Replacement**	\$400.00	20 years
Hydro-Action AN Series	Blower Replacement	\$400.00	10 years
	Blower Rebuild	\$100.00	
	Recirculation Pump Replacement	\$400.00	10 years
	Float Replacement	\$80.00	5-10 years
	Control Panel Replacement **	\$1,200.00	20 years
Orenco Advantex AX20-RT	Recirculation Pump Replacement	\$800.00	10 years
	Float Replacement	\$80.00	5-10 years
	Control Panel Replacement **	\$1,500.00	20 years
Norweco Hydro-Kinetic	Blower Replacement	\$300.00	10 years
	Blower Rebuild	\$100.00	
	Recirculation Pump Replacement	\$500.00	10 years
	Control Panel Replacement **	\$1,200.00	20 years
SeptiTech STAAR	Recirculation Pump Replacement	\$520.00	10 years
	Float Replacement	\$75.00	5 -10 years
	Control Panel Replacement **	\$1,200.00	20 years



The Grant Application Process



BEFORE YOU APPLY GATHER THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS

- Copy of Homeowner's Insurance Policy
- Copy of most recent property tax bill
- Copy of Certificate of Occupancy or Zoning Compliance for the dwelling
- available from the Town Clerk's office
- If applying for the additional \$5,000 Low to Moderate Incentive, you must provide the first two pages of property owner(s)' latest year's tax return along with signature page (Form 1040, 1040A or 1040EZ).
Please be sure to redact your social security number
- If applicable: proof of sanitary system failure (photo, service receipts, etc.)

Septic Improvement Program Overview

Nitrogen pollution from cesspools and septic systems has been identified as the largest single cause of degraded water quality contributing to beach closures, restrictions on shellfishing, toxic algae blooms, and massive fish kills. A conventional onsite septic system was never designed to remove nitrogen. The average residential septic system discharges approximately 40 pounds of nitrogen per year. For homeowners close to surface waters in Suffolk County nitrogen can rapidly reach surface waters where it contributes to degradation of our marshes, bays, and beaches. Even inland, nitrogen from septic systems will eventually reach the groundwater and surface waters.

Thousands of parcels are currently served by polluting cesspools and septic systems, but will never connect to a sewer system. Reversing degradation of water quality will depend on replacement of existing systems with new, individual Innovative and Alternative Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems (I/A OWTS).

Over the past several years, Suffolk County has assertively set the stage for the transition to the use of these new systems. To make the cost of I/A systems that remove nitrogen to protect water quality more affordable for homeowners, Suffolk County has developed the Septic Improvement Program. Under the Reclaim Our Water Septic Improvement Program, homeowners who decide to replace their cesspool or septic system with the new technologies will be eligible for a grant of up to \$30,000 from Suffolk County and New York State to offset the cost of one of the new systems. In addition to the grant, homeowners can qualify to finance the remaining cost of the systems over 15 years at a low 3% fixed interest rate. The loan program will be administered by Community Development Corporation of Long Island Funding Corp, with financial support from Bridgehampton National Bank, in the amount \$1 million and financial commitments from several philanthropic foundations.

*Note: The **average** total cost for approved systems, including attendant engineering and design services, is approximately \$19,200. *Costs will vary on a case-by-case basis.* Please review our documents detailing the [estimated engineering costs](#), [estimated vendor costs](#), and [costs associated with owning an I/A OWTS](#).

Grant Eligibility Criteria:

In order for an application to be considered for a grant the following preliminary criteria must be met:

- The residence must be served by a septic system or cesspool and not connected to a sewer system or located within a proposed sewer district.
- New construction on vacant lots is not eligible.
- Property does not have any outstanding or open real property tax liens.
- There must be a valid certificate of occupancy (CO) or equivalent issued by the applicable town or village.
- Income verification (Property Owners must provide a copy of each property owner's most recently filed federal income tax return).

Please note that in order to complete the application process, you will be required to submit the following documents:

- Copy of property deed
- Proof of Homeowner's Insurance
- Copy of most recent property tax bill
- Copy of Certificate of Occupancy or equivalent
- If applicable: the first two pages of property owner(s)' latest year's tax return along with signature page.

Links:

[YouTube Video on Septic Improvement Program](#)

[Septic Improvement Program FAQ](#)

[Overview of Provisionally Approved Technologies](#)

[Rules and Regulations](#)

Grant Information

[Map of Priority Areas](#)

[Understanding the Grant Process Video](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

Cost Information

[I/A Vendor Cost Ranking](#)

[I/A OWTS Design Cost Ranking](#)

[Cost Associated with Owning an I/A OWTS](#)

Low Interest Loan Information

[Community Development Corporation of Long Island](#)

[Low Interest Loan Information](#)

Forms


[Checklist for a Residential Application](#)

[Application for a New Single Family Residence](#)

[Application for an Addition or Renovation to an Existing Single-Family Residence](#)

STEP 1 – REGISTER ONLINE AND ACTIVATE YOUR ACCOUNT



Reclaim  Our Water

[Sign up now for the Septic Improvement Program](#)

Log In

Username:

Password:

☐ Remember me next time.

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Septic Improvement Program - Grant Application

Applicant Information

Applicant First Name:

M.I.:

Applicant Last Name:

Contact First Name:

Contact Last Name:

Contact Cellphone #:

Email Address:

Username:

Password

Confirm Password:

Please fill in all required information. After clicking "Register" you should receive a confirmation email with an activation link. Please click on the activation link and follow the instructions on-screen.

Having trouble?

Thank you for your interest in Suffolk County's Septic Improvement Program. If you are having trouble completing the application or have questions, please contact the Department of Health Services at 631-852-3811, or septicdemo@suffolkcountyny.gov. Staff is available to assist you Monday-Friday from 9am-5pm.

I Am Not A Robot

Please check the box to continue.

☐

I AM NOT A ROBOT.

REGISTER

Good Morning, Septic!

Property Owner Information and Adjusted Gross Income Reported on Federal Income Tax Return (Each property owner must be listed and must include their return information):

Name of Applicant(s): (If filing jointly, only include combined income once) ?

(The following Income verification is required if you are applying for an additional \$5,000 grant for Low to Moderate Income homeowners.)

Type	First Name / Business	M.I.	Last Name:	Filing Status:	Tax Form:	Return Amount:	
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Indiv. ▼	Jane		Doe	Married - Si ▼	104 ▼	35000.00	Delete
Indiv. ▼	Jackson		Doe	Married - Si ▼	104 ▼	1500000.00	Delete
Busin ▼	Business Inc			Select ▼	Sel ▼		Delete
Busin ▼	Down To Biz			Select ▼	Sel ▼		Delete

ADD ADDITIONAL OWNER

Dwelling Information

Enter your address slowly, once it populates in the dropdown list, select the address and then click verify. If successful, the address will appear on the map below.

Address:	Zip Code:	Year Built:
8 Sheridan Drive, SHIRLEY	11967	1970

VERIFY

District:	Section:	Block:	Lot:
0200	981.90	05.00	004.000

ADD ADDITIONAL PARCEL # / DSBL

Enter in your tax map info as listed on your tax bill. Please add additional tax lot info as necessary.

District:

0200

Section:

981.90

Block:

05.00

Lot:

004.000

[ADD ADDITIONAL PARCEL # / DSBL](#)

Enter in your tax map info as listed on your tax bill. Please add additional tax lot info as necessary.

Parcel ID
0200981900500004000

Reclaim Our Water: THOMAS R MATCHETT

Parcel ID	0200981900500004000
Priority	Priority 1
Owner Name	THOMAS R MATCHETT
Sewer District Status	None
Sewer District Name	Not Applicable
Address Number	8
Street Name	SHERIDAN
City	SHIRLEY
ZIP	11967

[Zoom to](#) ***

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Mailing Address:

Is mailing address different from physical address?

☒Yes ☐No

Address / PO Box:

PO BOX 123

City:

Shirley

Zip:

11967

Dwelling Use/Features:

Single Family House?

☐Yes ☒No

Bedrooms:

4

Occupied Year Round?

☐Yes ☒No

Occupants:

2

Current Septic System Information:

Current System Is: ☐Septic Tank and Leaching Pools ☒Block Cesspool ☐Precast Cesspool ☐Other ☐Unknown

If you are proposing to replace a failed or failing sanitary system, please answer the following questions:

(Note requires upload of proof of failure, including, but not limited to receipts, photos or certification from a design professional):

Sewage disposal system has to be pumped two (2) or more times a year?

☐Yes ☒No

Sewage disposal system has collapsed or is collapsing?

☐Yes ☒No

Sewage backing-up into the dwelling?

☐Yes ☒No

Wastewater rising to the surface of the ground over or near any part of the existing sewage disposal system?

☐Yes ☒No

Applicant Questionnaire


ANSWERING THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS WILL ALLOW US TO DETERMINE IF YOU QUALIFY TO PARTICIPATE IN SUFFOLK COUNTY'S SEPTIC IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM. PLEASE CHECK "YES" OR "NO" FOR ALL STATEMENTS:

Is this application for new construction on a vacant lot?

☐Yes ☒No

Does the residence rely on an onsite system (septic system or a cesspool)?

☒Yes ☐No

Are there any real property tax liens on the property? 

☐Yes ☒No

Is the property in foreclosure?

☐Yes ☒No

Do you consent that the County may share each property Owner(s) name, property address, grant award (if any), and property deed with CDCLI Funding Corporation, non-profit third party lender that is offering low interest loans for the installation of I/A OWTS?

☒Yes ☐No

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(You must verify your address before continuing.)

Required Documents

Please upload all documents here. If you do not have all of your documents please click "Log Out" and collect all of your documents before returning.

The required documents include:

- Certificate of Occupancy or Equivalent
- Most Recent Property Tax Bill
- Proof of Homeowners Insurance Policy
- If applicable: proof of sanitary system failure (photo, service receipts, or certification from design professional)

Optional documents include (please choose Other when uploading):

- Property Deed
- Property Survey
- Floorplans
- Copies of water bills from October through February
- Copy of the first 2 pages of property owner(s)' most recently filed tax return along with the signature page (**please be sure to redact your Social Security Number**)

Please note that the only acceptable file types are:

- .jpeg
- .png
- .gif
- .jpg
- .bmp
- .pdf

Files can be no larger than 5MB.

Having trouble?

If you are having trouble completing the application or have questions, please contact the Department of Health Services at 631-852-5811 or septicdemo@suffolkcountyny.gov. Staff is available to assist you Monday-Friday from 9am-5pm.

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674	Insurance	sample_proof_of_insu....jpg	Jul 17 2017	View	Delete
676	Tax Bill	taxbill.gif	Jul 17 2017	View	Delete

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RANKING AND SCORING PROCESS

- Completed applications are scored and ranked as outlined in SIP rules and regulations.
- Top ranked applications (based on priority area and documented failure) will be sent a Grant Acceptance packet which contains the Grant Certificate, Grant Agreement, and an application for the State Grant.
- Homeowners have 30 days to sign the Grant Agreement. If signed Grant Agreements are not received by the Suffolk County Department of Health Services (SCDHS) within 30 days the Grant Certificate will expire and the allocated funding will revert back into the Grant pool.
- If final approval is not issued within 12 months from execution of the Grant Agreement, the Grant Certificate will expire and funding will revert back into the Grant pool.



Septic Improvement Program - Homeowner Process Overview

For More Information visit www.ReclaimOurWater.info or
Call the Suffolk County Department of Health Services at (631) 852-5811

How Does the Septic Improvement (SIP) Grant / Loan Program Work?

Important Information Before You Apply for the Septic Improvement Grant

Online Applications are available at www.ReclaimOurWater.info. Homeowners should gather the following required documents prior to beginning the application process:

- Copy of property deed
- Proof of Homeowner's Insurance
- Copy of most recent property tax bill

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Suffolk County's Septic Improvement Program Understanding the Installation Process

1) Pre-installation photo of home on Shinnecock Bay with failing cesspool susceptible to overflows



2) Installation photo of new Orenco AX20-RT unit to a pressurized shallow drainfield.

Note: There will be extensive site disruption during installation

3) Completed installation photo



Note: the lids to finished grade as this is a requirement for these systems.

Note: It is recommended to give the soil time to settle before the contractor does final grading of site

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SEPTIC IMPROVEMENT

What I/A OWTS Have

Covers to Grade:

Covers provide access to your septic system and must remain fully accessible.

Control Panels:

Control Panels are the brains of the I/A OWTS. They should be protected from weather and vandalism.

Annual Operation & Maintenance:

The first three years are covered as part of the grant. Homeowners will need to sign a contract responsible for maintenance costs anticipated that O&M will cost approximately \$500 per year.

Increased Annual Electrical Cost:

Depending on the treatment process either runs continuously or on-demand, the systems that are not on-demand have annual electric costs ranging from \$50 to \$200.

Repair and Replacement Costs:

Homeowners should be aware that although I/A OWTS have a long track record of use in the USA, they do contain components such as pumps, floats, air compressors, and controls that may need to be replaced at some point during the useful life of the system. These component repair and replacement costs could range from \$50 to \$200.

Pumping Costs:

Although these systems provide advanced treatment, they will still need to be occasionally pumped by a septic hauler. Depending on use of the system, it is estimated that the average system would need to be pumped out every 3-5 years. This increases the treatment and useful life of any sewage disposal system including I/A OWTS. A typical pump-out is estimated to cost \$300 - \$500.

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Overview of Provisionally Approved Technologies

What is Provisional Approval?

The Department of Health Services promulgated standards under Article 19 of the Suffolk County Sanitary Code that outlines the Approval Process of I/A OWTS Technologies. Systems provisionally approved in Suffolk County have a proven track record in other Eastern States such as New Jersey, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Maryland. In addition, these systems have been rigorously tested in Suffolk County to ensure that they function as advertised. Suffolk County is one of the few jurisdictions that requires long term monitoring of the systems to ensure that homeowners are getting the best performance out of their water quality investment.

How do the Provisionally Approved Technologies Reduce Nitrogen?

Currently, all of the four Provisionally Approved Technologies in Suffolk County rely on biological processes to treat wastewater and convert and remove nitrogen. These systems use various methods to provide aerobic bacteria to convert organic nitrogen to nitrite and then use an anaerobic (without oxygen) environment to denitrify by stripping the oxygen molecule off of the nitrate, resulting in the release of gaseous nitrogen into our atmosphere.



Standard I/A OWTS
Control Panel

Common Components on all I/A OWTS:

- Process tanks (including septic tank if required by the I/A manufacturer) with internal piping and valves
- Sewer piping between the dwelling and process tanks and between the process tanks and leaching structures
- Control Panel with electrical connection and high water alarms
- Conduit piping for electric wiring and junction boxes for electrical connections
- Active treatment component such as pumps, blowers, media or effluent filters.
- Risers/chimneys with covers to grade on all access openings
- Air vents with associated piping and carbon filter required

WHAT TO DO AFTER YOU RECEIVE YOUR GRANT ACCEPTANCE PACKET

➤ *Execution of Grant Agreement (State & County):*

- Homeowner evaluates options and decides to move forward. Grant Agreement must be signed and returned to SCDHS within 30 business days from receipt of Grant Acceptance packet.
- Copy of fully executed contracts will be returned to the homeowner.
- Homeowner contracts with Design Professional at their own expense.

THE WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT PERMIT PROCESS

- Design Professional completes a permit application and submits to OWM including vendor cost estimate. Homeowner enters into contract with Vendor. The Design Professional will also identify any required Town, Village, or State permits that may be required.
- SCDHS permit to construct is issued.
- Town/Village/New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) permits are secured if required.



EVALUATE FUNDING OPTIONS

- Receive Grant Eligibility Memo from SCDHS
- Homeowner may contact CDCLI Funding Corporation (<http://www.cdcli.org/septic-replacement-loan-program-suffolk-county-residents/>) or other financial institution for loan pre-approval.
It is expected that third party financial institutions would require a copy of the Grant Certificate to begin the pre-approval process.
- Homeowner submits Vendor proposal to County along with signed Assignment of Payments (AOPs)

I/A OWTS INSTALLATION PROCESS

➤ *I/A OWTS Installation Process:*

- Construction can begin. SCDHS inspectors will visit the site and inspect that the installation is in accordance with County and Manufacturer Standards.

➤ *Final Approval Process:*

- System start-up witnessed by SCDHS. As-built plans submitted to SCDHS by the Design Professional. The homeowner submits I/A OWTS Registration form.

➤ *Issuance of Final Approval:*

- Final Approval letter will be issued by SCDHS Office of Wastewater Management. Design Professionals and Vendors must submit payment vouchers and invoices to SCDHS.



GRANT DISPERSAL

➤ *Final Approval Process and Inspector Certification:*

- System start-up witnessed by SCDHS. As-built plans submitted to SCDHS by the Design Professional. The homeowner submits I/A OWTS Registration form.
- Vendor submits Certification Forms
- Submit an O&M Agreement from maintenance provider

➤ *Issuance of Inspector Certification Letter:*

- Inspector Certification letter will be issued by SCDHS Office of Ecology. Vendors must submit payment vouchers and invoices to SCDHS.

➤ *Issuance of Grant Payment:*

- Once Inspector Certification letter is issued and payment vouchers and invoices are received, grant payments will be issued by the County to the Vendor identified in the Grant Agreement exhibit on behalf of the homeowner.



Reclaim Our Water with a state-of-the-art wastewater treatment system supported by a grant of up to \$11,000 from Suffolk County.

[Register](#)

SIP APPLICATION STATUS AS OF JUNE 19, 2019

- SCDHS started accepting applications July 3, 2017
 - ✓ 1,765 Total Applicants (804 Registrants)
 - ✓ 435 Issued Grant Certificates (approx.. 235 fully executed)
 - ✓ 27 Pending Grant Certificate Issuance on 6/19/2019
 - ✓ 444 Pending Review (Waiting for Documents or incomplete)
 - ✓ 5 Not Eligible
 - ✓ 7 Withdrawn
- 110 Installations to date
- 132 Pending Installations
- 13 Pending Review

State Septic System Replacement Program Stats

- ✓ 314 applications
- ✓ 234 executed State Contracts
- ✓ 57 grants paid out
- ✓ 4 pending payment
- ✓ \$558,605.46 expended



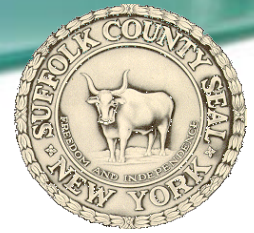
SIP GRANTS BY TOWN AS OF JUNE 19, 2019

Town	# of Grant Certificates Issued
Southampton *	128
Brookhaven	98
East Hampton *	80
Huntington	35
Islip	29
Southold	21
Shelter Island *	28
Smithtown	9
Babylon	3
Riverhead	4

* Towns with grant / rebate programs

AVERAGE COSTS UNDER SEPTIC IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

- **System Costs Overall (based on 50 systems)**
- Average Engineering Costs = \$2,503.00
- Average Base System Costs = \$16,331.00
- Average Misc. + Leaching Costs = \$5,836.00
- Average Total Cost = \$22,216.00



TAXABILITY OF GRANTS

- The responsibility for generating tax forms lies with the Suffolk County Department of Audit & Control, under direction of the Suffolk County Comptroller, an independently elected official. The Department of Health Services has no control over the Department of Audit & Control. The Suffolk County Comptroller has directed his staff to generate a Form 1099-G for each grant recipient.
- The County Executive's Office has asked the Comptroller to rescind the 1099 forms he has issued to homeowners and is waiting for him to respond.
- People who are concerned can contact the County Comptroller at (631)853-5040 and consult with their tax professional regarding tax implications.



CONTROL PANELS & AIR VENTS



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SUCCESS STORIES



SYSTEM DETAILS: 3- Bedroom Home

Installed: October 2017

Designer: Studio A/B Architects

Technology: Norweco Singulair

Leaching: Existing Leaching Pools

Vendor: Roman Stone Construction



Cost Information

Design Costs	\$2,500.00
Installation Base Price: Scenario 1	\$12,439.00
Misc. Installation Costs	\$6,350.00
Total Installation Costs	\$18,789.00
Total Project Costs	\$21,289.00
SIP Grant	- \$10,000
Southampton CPF Rebate	- \$11,289.00
End Cost to Homeowner	\$0.00

"The Septic Improvement Program allowed me to purchase a system that I otherwise would not have been able to afford. I am environmentally conscientious and want a cleaner bay for my grandchildren and I to enjoy"- Homeowner

**SEPTIC IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM INSTALL
SYSTEM DETAILS: 5-Bedroom Home**

Installed: September 2017

Designer: TF Engineering

Technology: Hydroaction AN Series

Provisionally Approved 9/28/16

Leaching: Pressurized Infiltrator Bed

Vendor: Eco Supply Company



Installation Photo of Hydroaction AN Series

Cost Information	
Design Costs	\$2,500.00
Total Installation Costs	\$19,855.00
Total Project Costs	\$22,355.00
SIP Grant	- \$11,000.00
Southampton CPF Rebate	- \$11,355.00
End Cost to Homeowner	\$0.00



Post-Installation Photo



ELIGIBLE COSTS INFORMATION:



LINE A	ENGINEERING COSTS	\$2,500.00
LINE B	INSTALLATION COSTS	\$13,500.00
LINE C	PUMPING AND DECOMMISSIONING COSTS	\$750.00
LINE D	3-YEAR O&M AND WARRANTY	\$750.00
LINE E	SALES TAX	\$797.82
LINE F	TOTAL COUNTY ELIGIBLE COSTS (SUM OF LINES A, B, C, & D)	\$18,297.82
LINE G	TOTAL STATE ELIGIBLE COSTS (SUM OF LINES A & B)	\$16,000.00



GRANT AWARD INFORMATION:

LINE H	SUFFOLK COUNTY SIP GRANT (up to \$11,000)	\$10,000.00
LINE I	NYS SSRP GRANT (up to \$10,000 of 50% STATE ELIGIBLE COSTS)	\$8,000.00
	PROPERTY OWNER OUT OF POCKET COSTS (LINE F MINUS LINES H & I)	\$297.82

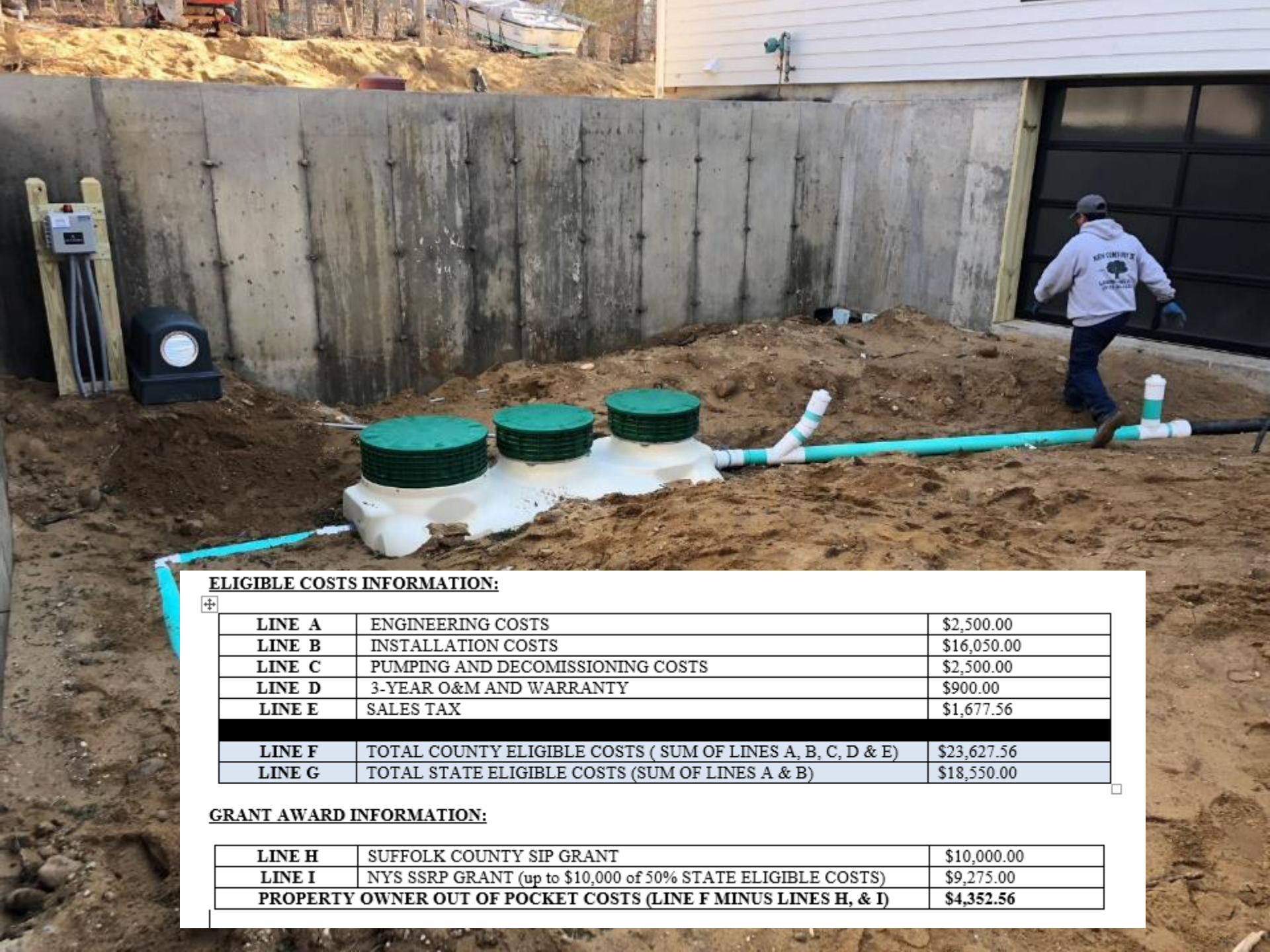


ELIGIBLE COSTS INFORMATION:

LINE A	ENGINEERING COSTS	\$2,500.00
LINE B	INSTALLATION COSTS	\$26,384.00
LINE C	PUMPING AND DECOMMISSIONING COSTS	\$600.00
LINE D	3-YEAR O&M AND WARRANTY	\$750.00
LINE E	SALES TAX	\$957.38
LINE F	TOTAL COUNTY ELIGIBLE COSTS (SUM OF LINES A, B, C, D & E)	\$31,191.38
LINE G	TOTAL STATE ELIGIBLE COSTS (SUM OF LINES A & B)	\$28,884.00

GRANT AWARD INFORMATION:

LINE H	SUFFOLK COUNTY SIP GRANT (up to \$11,000)	\$10,000.00
LINE I	NYS SSRP GRANT (up to \$10,000 of 50% STATE ELIGIBLE COSTS)	\$10,000.00
PROPERTY OWNER OUT OF POCKET COSTS (LINE F MINUS LINES H & I)		\$11,191.38



ELIGIBLE COSTS INFORMATION:



LINE A	ENGINEERING COSTS	\$2,500.00
LINE B	INSTALLATION COSTS	\$16,050.00
LINE C	PUMPING AND DECOMMISSIONING COSTS	\$2,500.00
LINE D	3-YEAR O&M AND WARRANTY	\$900.00
LINE E	SALES TAX	\$1,677.56
LINE F	TOTAL COUNTY ELIGIBLE COSTS (SUM OF LINES A, B, C, D & E)	\$23,627.56
LINE G	TOTAL STATE ELIGIBLE COSTS (SUM OF LINES A & B)	\$18,550.00



GRANT AWARD INFORMATION:

LINE H	SUFFOLK COUNTY SIP GRANT	\$10,000.00
LINE I	NYS SSRP GRANT (up to \$10,000 of 50% STATE ELIGIBLE COSTS)	\$9,275.00
PROPERTY OWNER OUT OF POCKET COSTS (LINE F MINUS LINES H, & I)		\$4,352.56



ELIGIBLE COSTS INFORMATION:

LINE A	ENGINEERING COSTS	\$2,500.00*
LINE B	INSTALLATION COSTS	\$20,129.00
LINE C	PUMPING AND DECOMMISSIONING COSTS	\$350.00
LINE D	3-YEAR O&M AND WARRANTY	\$900.00
LINE E	SALES TAX	\$796.00
LINE F	TOTAL COUNTY ELIGIBLE COSTS (SUM OF LINES A, B, C, D & E)	\$24,675.00
LINE G	TOTAL STATE ELIGIBLE COSTS (SUM OF LINES A & B)	\$22,629.00

GRANT AWARD INFORMATION:

LINE H	SUFFOLK COUNTY SIP GRANT	\$10,000.00
LINE I	NYS SSRP GRANT (up to \$10,000 of 50% STATE ELIGIBLE COSTS)	\$10,000.00
PROPERTY OWNER OUT OF POCKET COSTS (LINE F MINUS LINES H, & I)**		\$4,675.00

* Based on the assumption of a \$2,500.00 Engineering Invoice

** Actual out of pocket costs may differ due to ineligible County and State costs that are not included in this memo



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Questions?

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