

**FULL NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES
RELATING TO LICENSING OF ONSITE WASTEWATER SYSTEM INSTALLERS**

TAKE NOTICE that the North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality ("Department") will hold a public hearing to address proposed amendments to North Dakota Administrative Code (N.D. Admin. Code) chapter 33.1-21-01 at the following time and location:

2nd Floor Conference Room
North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality
4201 Normandy St, Bismarck, ND 58503-1324
September 5, 2025
1:00 PM CST

The purpose of the proposed amendment is to adopt rules for licensing of current and future onsite wastewater treatment system installers.

The proposed amendment is not expected to have an impact on the regulated community in excess of \$50,000.

The proposed rulemaking implements bill number 2267, enacted during the most recent legislative session, concerning onsite wastewater treatment systems and installations.

These rules are emergency rules with an effective date of August 1, 2025.

The proposed rules may be reviewed at the Department's office located at 4201 Normandy St, Bismarck, ND 58503-1324 or on the Department's website at: <https://deq.nd.gov/PublicNotice.aspx>. A copy of the proposed rule amendments may be requested by writing to the North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality, Deputy Director, at the above address or calling (701) 328-5210. Written comments on the proposed rule amendments sent to the above mailing address and received by September 16, 2025, will be fully considered.

If you plan to attend the public hearing and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please contact the Department at the above address or telephone number below at least two days prior to the public hearing. The NDDEQ will consider every request for reasonable accommodation to provide an accessible meeting facility or other accommodation for people with disabilities, language interpretation for people with limited English proficiency (LEP), and translations of written material necessary to access programs and information. Language assistance services are available free of charge to you. To request accommodations or language assistance, contact the NDDEQ Non-discrimination/EJ Coordinator at (701) 328-5150 or deqEJ@nd.gov. TTY users may use Relay North Dakota at 711 or 1-800-366-6888

There will be real time public streaming of the public hearing through a Microsoft Teams meeting. No testimony will be accepted through the Microsoft Teams meeting. Information concerning listening access by telephone or through Microsoft Teams can be obtained by calling (701) 328-5210 or can be found on the Department's website at: <https://deq.nd.gov/PublicNotice.aspx>.

Dated this 31st day of July, 2025.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'L. David Glatt', with a stylized flourish at the end.

L. David Glatt, P. E.

Director

Department of Environmental Quality

NORTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Chapter 33.1-21-01, N.D. Admin. Code, is being amended as follows:

CHAPTER 33.1-21-01
[RESERVED]ONSITE WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM INSTALLERS
LICENSING

Section

33.1-21-01-01. Installers Licensing.

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1. Onsite wastewater treatment system installers licenses issued by local public health units under North Dakota Century Code section 23-35-08 valid on July 31, 2025, do not expire and shall remain in effect until December 31, 2026, or when the department of environmental quality adopts rules regarding licensing, whichever occurs first.
2. Until December 31, 2026, or when the department of environmental quality adopts rules licensing, whichever occurs first, onsite wastewater treatment system installers that are not currently licensed may obtain a license from the department by submitting an application form prescribed by the department.

History: Effective _____, 2025

General Authority: NDCC 23.1-07.1-02

Law Implemented: NDCC 23.1-07.1-02, 23.1-07.1-03