

WHEN YOUR SEPTIC SYSTEM HAS FAILED

Sewage disposal in rural areas is a fast growing problem. Old inadequate and poorly installed on-site sewage facility systems (OSSF) can present a major health hazard to people, pets, livestock, and wildlife that are exposed to human waste.

Human fecal matter can contain dangerous and deadly bacteria and pathogens that are capable of spreading diseases such as dysentery, cholera, hepatitis and meningitis, just to name a few.

If effluent is surfacing , discharging into the open from your on-site sewage facility system or malfunctioning in **any** other way, the laws require that your system must be brought into a safe, sanitary and operable condition. It is a matter of good health practices and is the only **smart** thing to do if you want to protect the health and well-being of your loved ones and animals.

Should you fail to comply with the laws governing the safe and sanitary disposal of sewage and wastewater, there are substantial civil and criminal penalties in force. The penalties can include large fines, criminal sanctions, and even incarceration in some cases.

Colorado County Permit Office is ready to assist you in bringing your property into compliance with the laws and to help you maintain a safe, healthy environment for you, your family, your pets, other animals, and the environment.

HELP US HELP YOU KEEP COLORADO COUNTY SAFE AND BEAUTIFUL.

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