



Eliminating Septic Systems in the City



Overview

- Failing Septic Systems are a potential source of pollution to our drinking water
- Homes and businesses within the City are required by Spokane Municipal Code to connect to public sewer service if they are within 200 feet of the sewer
- The City has identified about 180 properties in already developed areas that meet these criteria
- We are working on developing an incentive program to assist property owners



Incentive Approaches

- General Facilities Charges (GFCs) reduction
 - GFC can't be reduced or waived without a backfill funding source
 - Suggesting Aquifer Protection Area funds to cover GFC costs
- Low-interest loans for households at 80% of less of the Area Median Income
- Credit on utility bills for customers who have been paying sewer charges



More to Come

