Chapter 29. Proprietary systems

A. Purpose

This Chapter provides the minimum criteria for proprietary systems that are allowed for use in Placer County. Failure to meet these criteria shall result in the reevaluation of the proprietary system for continued use in Placer County.

B. Scope of Approval

For systems that have undergone the experimental system program, the conditions of approval developed for the status change from experimental to alternative shall serve as the conditions of approval for said system. For systems that qualify for use in Placer County under Chapter 24 (new supplemental treatment systems), Placer County shall develop specific conditions of approval..

C. Operation, Monitoring and Maintenance

Chapter 23 and the conditions of approval for the specific system shall provide the requirements for the operation, monitoring and maintenance of the proprietary system.

D. Quality Assurance

1) A supplemental treatment system may be considered to "fail" when the Division determines it cannot reliably perform the conveyance, treatment, and/or disposal function for which it was designed and approved. Causative problems with the treatment system may include mechanical malfunction, structural problems, reliability issues, maintenance deficiencies, or non-compliance with the effluent specifications contained in the conditions of approval. If an individual treatment system "fails" as described above, the Division will consider the homeowner to be the responsible party for system repair or replacement. However, nothing herein prevents the homeowner from seeking recourse through service agreements and warrantees with the manufacturer, distributor, designer, or contractor.

2) Noncompliance with the conditions of approval, or system failures are grounds for reevaluation of the treatment system for continued use in Placer County. The Division may also use information from other jurisdictions and sources regarding system performance to reevaluate continued approval of the treatment system in Placer County.

NO LEASING OF COMPONENTS ALLOWED