



Clallam County Department of Health and Human Services

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September 17, 2021

To: Clallam County Board of Health
From: Kevin LoPiccolo, HHS
Re: September 21, 2021 Board of Health Meeting

Included in next week's packet is the following:

- Agenda
- Draft minutes from August 17, 2021
- Public Health Memorandum – Discussion of staffing needs
- September 17, 2021 public comments
- August 17, 2021 Meeting - Craft 3 PowerPoint presentation
- August 17, 2021 Meeting Public Comments

I hope everyone enjoys their weekend.

Kevin



CLALLAM COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

AGENDA of September 21, 2021 @ 1:30 – 3:30 pm

Clallam County Courthouse

Board of Commissioners Meeting Room 160

223 E. 4th Street

Port Angeles, WA 98362

****ATTENTION****

In response to the pandemic, and to be in compliance with the Governor's Proclamation and the recommendation of the Clallam County Health Officer, the Board of Health meeting will be conducted virtually. No attendance allowed. Public comments are strongly encouraged to be submitted in writing, if possible.

This meeting can be viewed on a live stream at this link: <http://www.clallam.net/features/meetings.html>

If you would like to participate in the meeting via Zoom audio only, call 253-215-8782 and join with Meeting ID: 935 7343 5754 and Passcode: 095863

If you would like to participate in the meeting via Zoom video conference, visit <https://zoom.us/j/93573435754> join with Meeting ID: 935 7343 5754 and Passcode: 095863

Public comment and questions can be directed to the Director of Health and Human Services at 360-417-2523 or klopiceolo@co.clallam.wa.us

- Call to Order, Roll Call
- Request for Modifications/Approval of Agenda
- Approval of Draft Meeting Minutes for August 17, 2021
- Public Comment for Agenda Items – *Please limit comments to three minutes*
- Introductions
- Presentations and Discussion
 1. Public Health Staffing Needs.
- Board of Health Public Hearing:
- Old Business and Information Items
- Health Officer
 - COVID-19 Update
- Environmental Health Director
- HHS Director
- Future meeting agenda items
 1. Clallam Health Network
 2. PIC (Pollution, Identification and Correction) Update
 3. Systemic Racism
 4. Vaccination Rates
 5. Chronic Disease CHIP
 6. Air Quality and Noise Ordinance
 7. Climate Change

8. Update on Behavioral Health Organization (BHO)
 9. Olympic Peninsula Healthy Communities Coalition
- Public Comment – *Please limit comments to three minutes*
 - Adjournment

NEXT MEETING – October 19, 2021

Members:

Chair, Navarra Carr; Vice Chair, Dr. Gerald Stephanz; Don Lawley; Shahida Shahrir; Mark Ozias;
Randy Johnson; Bill Peach

Health and Human Services Staff:

Dr. Allison Berry, Health Official; Kevin LoPiccolo, Director;
Jennifer Garcelon, Environmental Health Director; Celia Thompson, Clerk of the Board

**DRAFT AUGUST 17, 2021
MINUTES**



CLALLAM COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

MINUTES of August 17, 2021 @ 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm

Clallam County Courthouse

Board of Commissioners Meeting Room 160

223 E. 4th Street Port Angeles, WA 98362

Meeting was held via Zoom (Video conference)

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CLALLAM COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

Navarra Carr, Chair called the meeting to order at 1:30pm.

Members Present: Commissioners Johnson, Ozias and Peach, Navarra Carr, Dr. Gerald Stephanz, Shahida Shahrir, Don Lawley, Jennifer Garcelon, and Dr. Allison Berry

Members Absent: Kevin LoPiccolo

- **Call to Order, Roll Call**

- **Request for Modifications/Approval of Agenda**

ACTION TAKEN: Dr. Berry requested that item 2 under Presentations and Discussion: Mask Wearing, be moved to the COVID 19 update.

The Board had unanimous consent of approval of the agenda with the modification made by Dr. Berry.

- **Approval of Draft Meeting Minutes for July 20, 2021**

ACTION TAKEN: The Board had unanimous consent to approve the meeting minutes for July 2021.

- **Public Comment for Agenda Items**

Karen Cummins: wanted to open up the comments for the On-Site Sewage. She was asked to wait until the Public Hearing comment period.

- **Introductions**

None

- **Presentations and Discussion**

Craft 3 Presentation: Tawny Reader/Erika Lindholm

[Clean Water Presentation - PUBLIC HEALTH VERSION-final.pptm](#)

- **Board of Health Public Hearing**

Summary

The Board of Health at their July 15, 2021 meeting discussed with staff the proposed draft ordinance amending, Chapter 41.20, On-Site Sewage System and Chapter 41.50, Fees. The proposed ordinance amendments provides the changes required for implementing the county's on-site Septic System and Operations and Maintenance Program funding structure, found in Section 1(3) and proposed changes to add an Annual Operation & Maintenance fee and to increase fee for Vital Records, per RCW 70.58.107.

The Board of Health after review and deliberation at the July 20, 2021, voted 6-0 to forward draft ordinances for the August 17, 2021 Board of Health meeting and conduct a Public Hearing.

Jennifer Garcelon gave an overview of the program, as outline on page 6 of the Onsite Septic Operations and Maintenance Program Manual to the Board, and audience.

8 members of the audience made comments.

Once the hearing was closed, Commissioner Mark Ozias made a motion to amend Clallam County Fee Schedule as written in the draft below. Dr. Gerald Stephanz seconded. Discussion followed.

[BOH Ordinance 41.20.170 -2021DRAFT-.pdf](#)

[BOH Ordinance 41.50 Fee Schedule Change -2021DRAFT-.pdf](#)

Commissioner Randy Johnson amended the motion to include the following, as outlined in the above the BOH Ordinance 41.20.170 draft: *Ten years from the passage of this ordinance, the Board of Health will conduct a complete review of this program and it's results. The expected objectives are outlined on pages 5 & 6 of the On Site Septic Operation and Program Manual found in the Environmental Health Department. These objectives may be periodically updated based on new information. A vote to continue/discontinue the program and fee must be affirmed by the Board of Health.*

The amended motion was voted on, the vote was as follows:

Navarra Carr-yes

Dr. Gerald Stephanz-yes

Don Lawley-yes

Shahida Shahrir-yes

Commissioner Randy Johnson-yes

Commissioner Mark Ozias-yes

Commissioner Bill Peach-pass

No further discussion on the amended motion.

The amended motion was then voted on:

To amend the Clallam County Code Chapter 41.50 fees as presented, to include the added language by Commissioner Randy Johnson, as shown above. The vote was as follows:

Navarra Carr-yes

Dr. Gerald Stephanz-yes

Don Lawley-yes

Shahida Shahrir-yes

Commissioner Randy Johnson-yes

Commissioner Mark Ozias-yes

Commissioner Bill Peach-no

Health Officer

Covid-19 update. Dr. Berry spoke on current statistics of cases:

Highest case rates to date:

2027 cases, 382 cases per 100k, 9% positivity, 9 people currently hospitalized, 105 hospitalizations total, 19 deaths. 100% Delta variant, which is very transmissible, the majority are unvaccinated.

Hospital strains throughout the state, extreme staff shortages. The Public Health system is overloaded. We're seeing supply chain issues due to COVID outbreaks, and worker shortages. She discussed the protocols if one has tested positive, or has been exposed. She fully supports the state vaccine mandate, and discussed the indoor masking mandate. She strongly encourages everyone to get vaccinated. Friday Covid briefings are back. Discussion followed.

- **Environmental Health Director**

None

- **HHS Director**

None

- **Future Agenda Items**

Continue to work on the details for implementation of stable funding of the OSS program
Update from Clallam Health Network
Board of Health Membership
Drug abuse and overdose discussion in relation to the recent Supreme Court decision
Systemic racism
Craft 3

- **Public Comment**

Janet Carlisle
Robbie Mantooth
Dave Kelm
Karin Cummins
Cathleen Michaels-Brader
Jeremy Simmons
Taylor Donatakis
Jason Hart

The following people sent in written testimony:

Timothy Weller, Robbie Mantooth, James Brandt, Karin Cummins, Harvey Meyer, Jim and Mary Kay Davis, J.P. Persall, David Dewalt, Tom Cox, John Earhart, Mary Tupper, Janet Carlisle, Terri DiMartino, Wreta, Bert Caldwell, Pam Fries, Nick and Tonya Gear, Melissa Doyel and Michael Davis, Lori Taylor, Keith Baydl, Rebekah Skrzeczkoski, Sherry & Dennis Watson, Rachael Boyd, harveyd54, Joyce Marin, Soils Application: Eric Hibbard, Kyle Kiesser, Tristin Dodson, Iain Thill, Deborah Laplante, Gary Rudolph, Carol Rutledge, Christopher Burton, Scott King and Kitty Sökkappa, Bonnie Dawson, Ronald Dawson, Angela Watson, opdykkl, C G King, K T McKaig, Joe and Pam Grider, Adam and Ranae Gilles, Candie Myers, Michele K. Davis, Robert Watson, Carol Lunsford, Lee Strucker, Rob Feller.

- **Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 3:49 p.m.

NEXT MEETING – September 21, 2021

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2021

CLALLAM COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

Navarra Carr, Chair

Allison Berry, MD, MPH, Health Officer

ATTEST:

Celia Thompson, Clerk of the Board

STAFF MEMORANDUM
PUBLIC HEALTH STAFFING
NEEDS



Clallam County Department of Health and Human Services

111 E. 3rd Street • Port Angeles, WA 98362 • Phone: 360-417-2303 • Fax: 360-452-9605

To: Clallam County Board of Health
From: Health and Human Services Department
Subject: Public Health Staffing Needs
Date: September 17, 2021

Summary

Health and Human Services staff would like to discuss the overall health of the Department and explain the lack of resources that is preventing the Department from accomplishing certain healthcare services to our community.

Public health is about protecting and promoting the health of people and their communities. It involves tracking, preventing, and responding to disease outbreaks. It entails advocating for and educating people about healthy lifestyles and self-care. It is our desire to promote the following:

- Helping to monitor and solve public health outbreaks
- Performing research to eradicate health hazards that affect the community
- Educating the public about health issues and empowering them to aid in the prevention of spreading diseases
- Aiding in the development of plans and policies that address public health concerns
- Acting as liaisons between people and the networks that provide assistance
- Evaluating existing protocol to ensure the highest level of quality and effectiveness
- Stopping and preventing the spread of disease
- The control and prevention of communicable disease
- Collecting, analyzing, sharing and using data for decision making

The positions listed below will help achieve and strengthen the overall outcomes for a community focused public healthcare department.

Infection Control (2) Positions

Benefit of request/Implication of not making change: Assisting public health infection control team that would allow for collaboration with public health/environmental health team to provide immediate outbreak response and ongoing infection control support to healthcare and congregate facilities throughout the County. These full-

time positions would allow for the expansion for Maternal Child Health Services that would focus on parenting group for Mother's with substance abuse disorders. As part of the reclassification, this role would assist/collaborate with a updating the County's Community Health Assessment that will be due in the next year or two.

Public Health Nurse (1) Position

Benefit of request/ Implication of not making change: An additional, full-time Public Health Nurse would allow the needed flexibility to meet our baseline services and appropriately respond to communicable disease reporting and response; allow for case management and community nursing, similar to the community paramedic model.

Suicide Prevention Coordinator (1) Position

Benefit of request/Implication of not making change: As part of the Human Services Division, the Suicide Prevention Coordinator would work closely with regional and community partners, in coordinating suicide prevention efforts and focus on planning and policy decisions to support suicide prevention.

Public Health/Social worker (1) Position

Benefit of request/Implication of not making change: Public Health/Social worker – Case management to support all programs including, syringe support services, Children and youth with special health care needs, community health nurse and paramedic support.

Recommended Action

Staff is requesting input from the Board of Health and a recommendation to the Board of County Commission on the requested positions for Department of Health and Human Services.

SEPTEMBER 17, 2021

PUBLIC COMMENT

Thompson, Celia

From: Lierly, Chelsea
Sent: Friday, September 17, 2021 2:02 PM
To: Thompson, Celia
Subject: FW: Clallam County Commissioner Board Meeting 9.21.2021

To pass on to the BOH members. ☺

Chelsea

Chelsea Lierly

From: Don Lawley <dclawley@msn.com>
Sent: Friday, September 17, 2021 1:41 PM
To: Lierly, Chelsea <clierly@co.clallam.wa.us>
Subject: Fw: Clallam County Commissioner Board Meeting 9.21.2021

*** EXTERNAL EMAIL *** This message was sent from outside our County network.

Not sure if all received this.

Don

From: Haley Ray <mshaleypage@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, September 17, 2021 1:09 PM
To: dclawley@msn.com <dclawley@msn.com>
Subject: Clallam County Commissioner Board Meeting 9.21.2021

Dear Don Lawley;

I would like to address a couple of issues at the board meeting next week, here is the topics I would like to discuss:

First off, I want to say I can't imagine the weight of every decision being made, the stress & responsibility you carry, watching out for the community's health, economic success & mental well being.

With that being said, based on the actions of larger counties, the decision to mandate vaccination passports for restaurants was made prematurely & without regard to the negative ripple effect that it undeniably has had.

This unanticipated behavioral change has determined that this policy hurts more than helps.

8% of all cases during the entire time of pandemic in the state of Washington were traced to restaurants AND hotels according the DOH, until 8.24.2021 when it dropped to 4%. Not severe enough numbers statewide to cripple small businesses with a vaccine passport mandate.

We are protected in this county by a chain of command, no actions shall be taken by the board of health unless a majority of members are present, including at least 2 Clallam County commissioners. The board of health is required to keep a public record of its transactions, findings, and decisions.

No such board of health meeting ever occurred with respect to Dr. Berry's vaccine mandate order. The citizens of the County were not provided their due process rights for a properly noticed public hearing in which they could attend and listen and comment and understand the Board of Health's views with respect to this matter. There is no public record of the board of health directing Dr. Berry to execute this order. How has this been addressed?

Restaurants were given less than 48 hrs notice, over what would have been a busy holiday weekend to comply. No instruction, no guidance, causing several restaurants to close entirely for multiple days because they did not know how to proceed, losing inventory, income & sadly staff.

The vaccination passport mandate has inadvertently polarized our community & we need to find some common ground to repair this bridge before it is irreparable. Yes, something needs to change but no, discrimination, segregation & degradation is not the solution.

This mandate has now caused community division, economic distress & also has pushed some even further from getting vaccinated, frustration reducing their willingness.

A conversation needs to happen, with real business owners that have been operating & struggling & overcoming during this entire pandemic. We can not rely on the input of 1 or 2 restaurant owners or investors, especially ones that took the last year off.

Restaurant owners are tired, understaffed, defeated & now responsible for checking a numerous variety of passports, losing business, closing their dining or closing entirely?

King county, with 10x more cases than Clallam, just announced a similar mandate but with more realistic steps, their leadership is providing businesses 5 weeks to adjust with specific instructions & detailed timelines & options for passports OR negative test results. That will allow their leadership, health department, their board of health, their commissioners & their restaurants to come up with successful guidelines for such drastic mandates. Our county did not have that in our leadership, emphasizing the lack of ownership is proper execution of these kind of policies. Chain of command, repeatedly, is being ignored & the negative outcome is completely a result of inexperienced leadership.

Media, news channels & social media have labeled us a 'hot spot' for Covid & are actively posting & broadcasting to avoid Port Angeles & the Clallam County area. This is extremely detrimental to our already fragile economy. Revenues have been substantially decreased, jobs have been lost, during a time where the PUA unemployment, and business grants for supplemental income have discontinued.

Please help us find a solution to that is not the demise of our restaurants & our community, work with us to move forward. Let us help strengthen and restore confidence to the leadership in Clallam County.

Haley Ray
Port Angeles, WA 98362
360-460-3951

CRAFT 3 PRESENTATION



Clean Water Lending

*in partnership with health
departments*

Tawny Reader
Consumer Product Manager, VP



Outline

Goal

Introduce you to Craft3's Clean Water Loans so you'll understand:

- how they work
- how they can help homeowners
- and how you can refer and connect residents

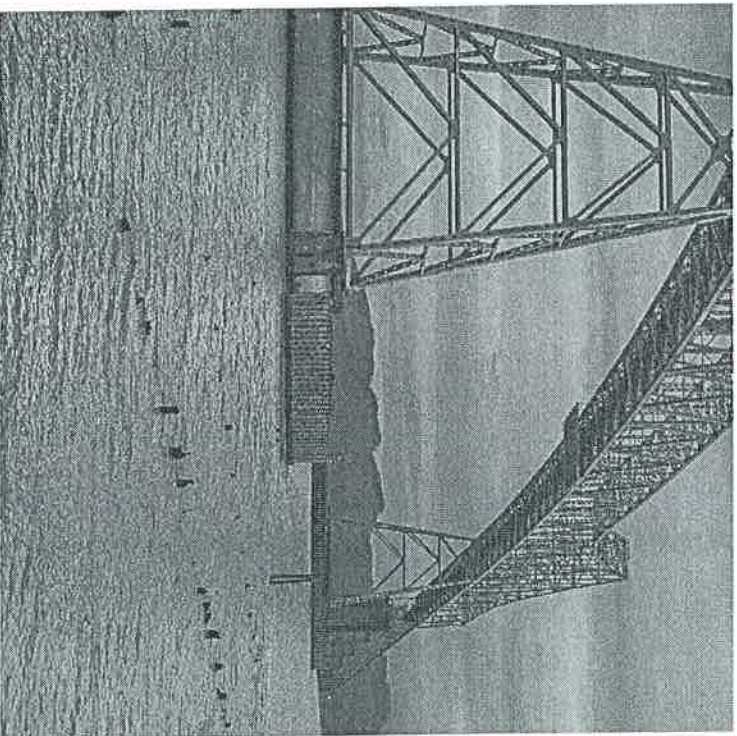
1) A quick overview of Craft3

2) Clean water lending — history, process, impacts and borrower stories

3) Questions and answers

About Craft3

Capital for Social Good



- Craft3 is a nonprofit lender.
- Founded in 1994 in Ilwaco, Wash.
- We use capital for social good, — to build resilience, lessen the racial wealth gap and expand economic opportunity.
- We deliver capital where it's needed most, making loans and providing advice to businesses, nonprofits, tribes, and individuals — especially those denied access to traditional financing.

Capital for Social Good



Since 1994 we've grown.

- 70 employees across eight regional offices
- over \$680 million invested in entrepreneurs, nonprofits and homeowners
- leveraged an additional \$1.3 billion in capital investments
- assisted 7,000 homeowners with upgrades

Loans for Homeowners

We focus on areas where banks don't do a good job of meeting financing needs.

And where we see other potential benefits — for homeowners, communities, the regional economy, and the environment.

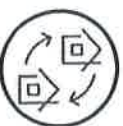


Loans for Homeowners



Home Energy

make heating and cooling upgrades, insulate and weatherize



Manufactured Home Replacement (pilot)
purchase a new, energy-efficient home



Clean Water

replace or repair a failing septic system



Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU)
build an ADU or secondary housing unit

Clean Water Loans: Serving Individuals, Protecting Communities

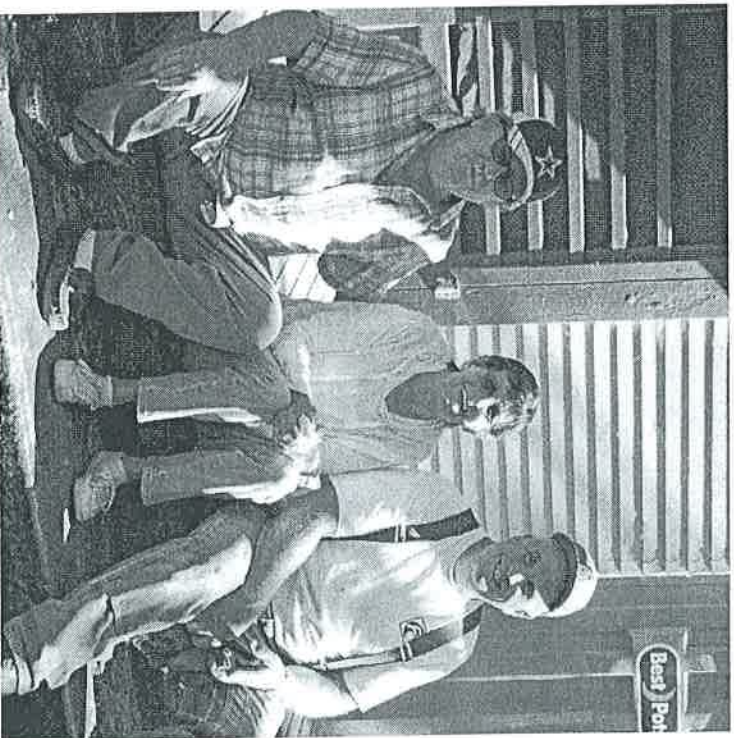
When failing septic systems were contaminating Willapa Bay and threatening the livelihood of oyster growers, we saw an opportunity to help.

We launched our Clean Water Loan in 2003 to help homeowners finance septic repairs and ensure clean water for the entire community.



Clean Water Loans

Mission Impacts



Our loans help homeowners make septic system repairs that are often urgent, unexpected and costly — and can even force homeowners out of their homes.

CRAFT3 CLEAN WATER LOANS

- Help homeowners keep their homes
- Assist low-income households
- Preserve local water quality
- Protect natural resources and drinking water
- Provide local jobs

Clean Water Loans

Designed to Work for as Many Homeowners as Possible*



Financing tailored to homeowner needs

Borrow the entire cost of eligible design, permitting and installation. Lower rates for qualified lower-income borrowers.



No upfront fees

And all loans include a \$2,000 reserve to fund ongoing maintenance.



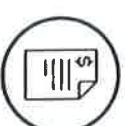
Lower equity requirements

Borrow up to or in some cases more than the value of the home.



Perfect credit not required

While we consider the ability to repay the loan, we don't require perfect credit and we don't charge higher rates for lower credit scores.



Convenient repayment

Make automated payments directly from a bank account.

Clean Water Loans

*General guidelines may not represent all lenders. Craft3 may issue different credit determinations on a case-by-case basis after review of each application.

Eligibility Criteria

Residents of Washington state are eligible if one or more of the following applies:

- the septic system is at least 25 years old
- the septic system is failing
- the homeowner has been contacted by local health officials
- the homeowner is under orders to fix the septic system

LOAN FEATURES

Drain field rehabilitation (jetting or terra lifting) are not eligible expenses.

Cultural Resources Review

- Projects must be assessed by the Washington State Department of Ecology for any potential adverse effects to cultural resources.
- Cultural resources include archeological objects and historic properties.
- Review takes approximately 30 days.
- If surveying or monitoring are required, the project will incur additional costs, which can be financed through a Craft3 loan.

Clean Water Loans

Rates and Terms

Annual Household Income	Interest Rate	Repayment	Example
Up to \$35,000 and owner-occupied	2.49% (2.36% APR*)	Deferred payment** Interest-only payments*** Fully-amortized payments	Deferred payment option: \$24,000 loan amount, No monthly payments for 179 months, Balloon payment of \$34,144 due on 180 th month based on 2.36% APR.
Up to \$55,000 and owner-occupied	4.49% (4.79% APR*)	Interest-only payments.*** Fully-amortized payments	Interest-only payment option: \$24,000 loan amount, \$94 interest payment for 179 months, Balloon payment of \$24,889 due on 180 th month based on 4.79% APR.
Greater than \$55,000 - or - on-owner-occupied, secondary home	5.49% (5.99% APR*)	Fully-amortized payments	Fully-amortized repayment option: \$24,000 loan amount \$202 for 180 months at 5.99% APR.

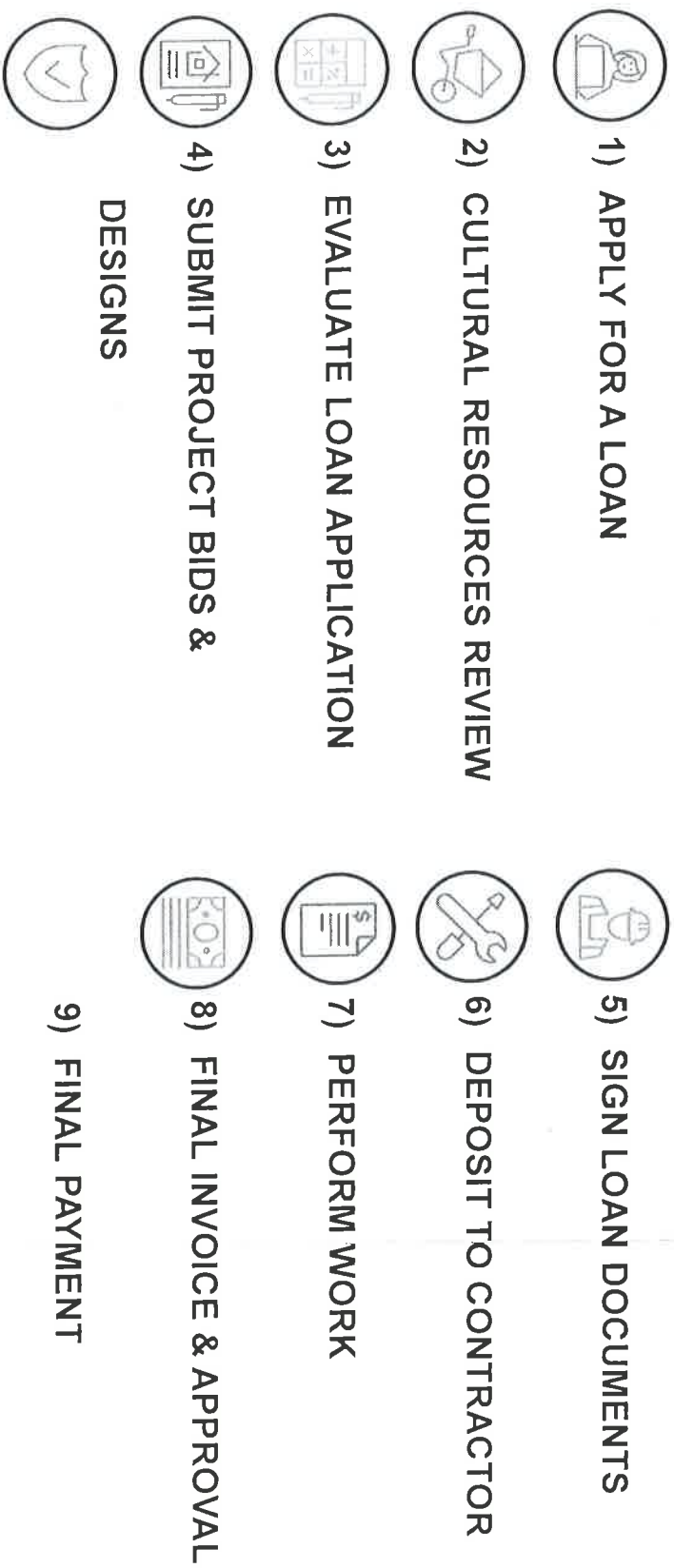
*APR, Annual Percentage Rate based on example loan criteria

**Deferred Payment option maximum loan amount is \$35,000 and maximum loan-to-value is 80 percent.

***Interest-only Payment option maximum loan amount is \$45,000 and maximum loan-to-value of 100 percent.

Loan availability, terms and conditions current as of 09/01/21 and are subject to change. Visit our website for latest terms and rates. Examples include financing of Craft3 \$795 loan fee. All loan applications are subject to credit, property and project approval. Maximum loan amount and Loan to Value apply and are subject to equity value and underwriting requirements for all programs. Loans are secured by a UCC-1A filing recorded with the county. Subordination may be available with lender approval. Fees may apply. Principal balance and interest (if applicable) is due on sale, transfer, refinancing or maturity. Due to Clean Water Loan funding sources, financed projects require a cultural resource review by the Department of Ecology. If a designation is made, the property owner will be responsible for costs incurred. Visit our website for details. NMLS ID 390159

Project Workflow



Clean Water Loans

We describe each stage and the colors at left show who is responsible (contractor, homeowner, Craft3, Department of Ecology).

Cumulative Impacts*



*Data through 6/30/21

- \$47 million invested in communities
- 2,000+ families assisted
- 37% low-income families assisted
- 265 million gallons of wastewater treated annually

Cumulative Impacts in Washington*

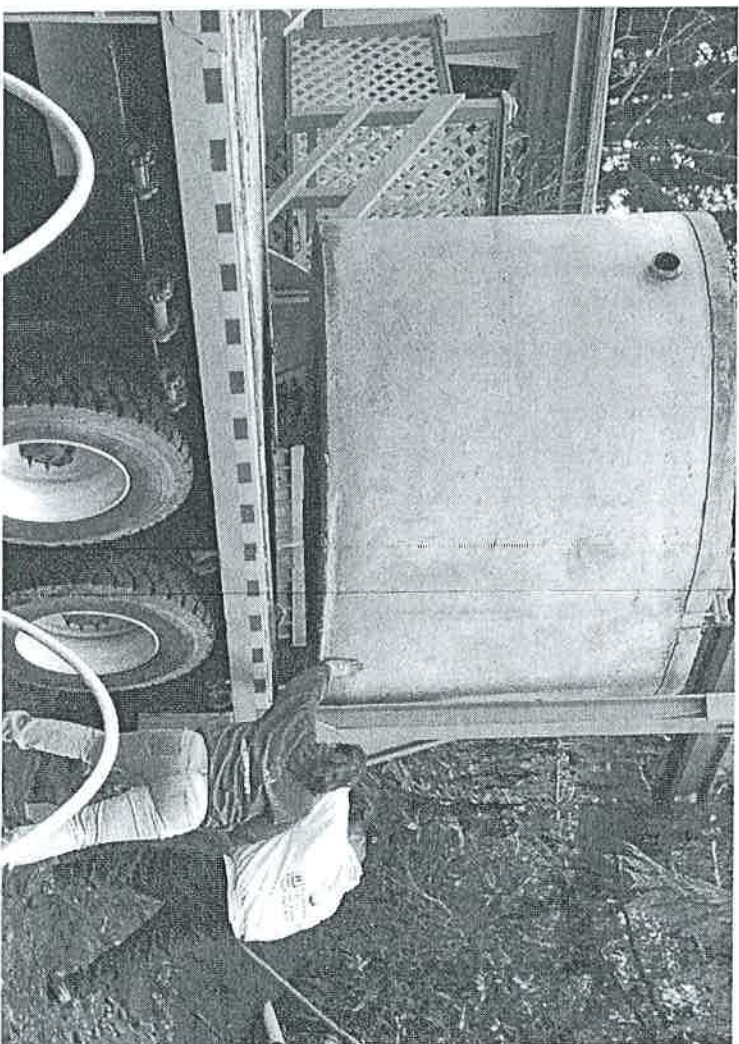
County	Projects	Invested	Gallons of Wastewater Treated Annually	Low-Income Families Assisted	Percent of Families Low-Income	Average Loan Size
Benton	9	\$209,539	1,226,400	4	44%	23,282
Clallam	80	\$1,777,065	10,786,200	34	43%	22,213
Clark	45	\$899,935	6,565,000	13	29%	19,999
Cowlitz	2	\$52,970	262,800	2	100%	26,485
Franklin	3	\$52,185	438,000	1	33%	17,395
Grays Harbor	13	\$323,851	1,620,600	3	23%	24,912
Island	69	\$1,672,652	8,234,400	21	30%	24,241
Jefferson	91	\$2,445,976	9,409,200	50	55%	26,879
King	126	\$3,997,354	18,870,800	41	33%	31,725
Kitsap	641	\$14,563,554	82,871,210	241	38%	22,720
Mason	162	\$3,533,139	19,203,025	79	49%	21,810
Okanogan	2	\$44,613	306,600	1	50%	22,307
Pacific	86	\$1,463,093	8,550,000	40	47%	17,013
Pend Oreille	1	\$28,035	87,600	1	100%	28,035
Pierce	244	\$6,279,453	36,874,400	53	22%	25,735
Skagit	25	\$528,561	3,104,800	5	20%	21,142
Snohomish	70	\$1,533,173	9,285,600	28	40%	21,902
Stevens	5	\$117,709	888,600	1	20%	23,542
Thurston	81	\$1,975,418	11,121,200	23	28%	24,388
Wahkiakum	2	\$71,575	258,800	1	50%	35,788
Whatcom	87	\$2,077,954	11,738,400	33	38%	23,885
Total	1,844	\$43,647,804	241,703,635	675	37%	23,670

*Data through 6/30/21

Clean Water Loans

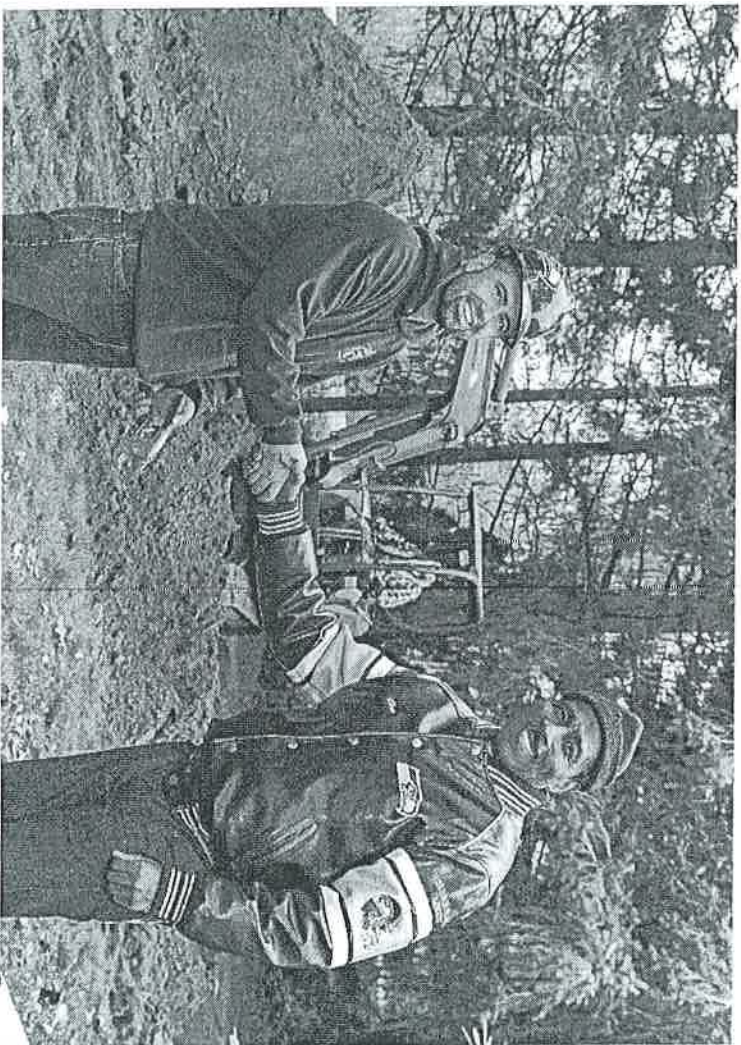
Borrower Stories: Safeguarding a Family Home

For Terry, a single parent in Kitsap County, a costly septic system replacement was a crisis. A Craft3 Clean Water Loan let her stay in her home.



Borrower Stories: Replacing a Failing System on a Fixed Income

A 25-year U.S. Air Force veteran living on military retirement and social security in Whatcom County didn't have \$22,000 to fix a failing septic system. The Craft3 Clean Water Loan made repair possible.



Helping Homeowners in Need

Craft3 Clean Water Loans can be an invaluable resource for homeowners. Our loans are designed to:

- Help homeowners stay in their homes and keep local waters clean.
- Help lower-income borrowers by offering lower interest rates.
- Help borrowers with imperfect credit (when possible).

Please refer residents to us and share our Clean Water Loans brochure. We are excited to partner with you!

Clean Water Loans

Referring Homeowners to Craft3

	ONLINE	<u>www.Craft3.orgCleanWater</u>
	PHONE	888-231-2170 ext. 125
	EMAIL	<u>CleanWater@Craft3.org</u>
	BROCHURE	Visit <u>https://info.craft3.org/cw-brochures-healthdept</u> to request brochures with an overview of our Clean Water Loan.

Tawny Reader
888-231-2170 ext. 170
CleanWater@Craft3.org
Bend, Oregon

Questions?

AUGUST 17, 2021
PUBLIC COMMENTS
(LAST MEETING)

Thompson, Celia

Timothy Weller

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 7:58 AM
To: Garcelon, Jennifer; LoPiccolo, Kevin; Thompson, Celia
Subject: FW: Proposed OSS Fee

*Loni Gores
Clerk of the Board
Commissioners Office
223 East 4th Street, Suite 4
Port Angeles, WA 98362
Phone: 360-417-2256*

From: Timothy Weller [<mailto:tweller1947@outlook.com>]
Sent: Monday, August 09, 2021 9:49 AM
To: Thompson, Celia; Ozias, Mark; Peach, Bill
Subject: Proposed OSS Fee

*** EXTERNAL EMAIL *** This message was sent from outside our County network.

I am writing to OPPOSE any new fees forced on Clallam County OSS owners. Friends of Ennis Creek are championing "Speak up for the Salmon", an out of context agenda. Friends of Ennis Creek is a non-profit organization, and is lobbying County Government to assess a fee which provides for their agenda, and penalizes Owners of OSS that are currently in compliance with County Regulations. It is clear that this is just another avenue to receiving grants and grant funding to pay for Clallam County OSS upgrades, repairs and replacement of failed or failing systems, of which owners are awaiting social assistance from "Government", at the expense of those of us who are responsible OSS and Water Well Owners. In essence, the County HSS/BOH wants to charge me to inspect my own system; and for those who do not wish to comply with inspection mandates, the County(taxpayers) will pay to ensure that out of compliance OSS are compliant, to accommodate County HSS/BOH requirements. I have read the Amendment to the OSS Regulations, and it is clear that by having blank forms, a decision has already been made to approve this unnecessary fee, of whatever amount it will actually be. This is taxation without representation.

This is wrong, and serves to further enable those whose OSS are already compromised or failing; further, does nothing to rectify the problems with CCHSS/BOH, in not enforcing OSS Compliance for ALL systems in Clallam County, equally. As I stated previously, education and communication are paramount in any endeavor, and honestly, money isn't going to rectify that; Leadership has the means, or should. I have addressed this issue in 2018, and have not been apprised of new developments, and would appreciate being in the loop, as requested. I look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,
Timothy J. Weller, et al.

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Robbie Mantooth

Thompson, Celia

From: Robbie Mantooth <ennis@olympen.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 10, 2021 8:55 AM
To: Thompson, Celia
Subject: FW: Comments to Board of Health about Aug. 17 public hearing re OSS

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cthompson@co.clallam.wa.us

Sent from Mail for Windows 10

From: Robbie Mantooth
Sent: Tuesday, August 10, 2021 8:51 AM
To: cthompson@clallam.co.wa.us
Cc: Anne Baxter; Nathan West; Allyson Brekke; Frances Charles; Matt Beirne; Mike McHenry; North Olympic Land Trust
Subject: Comments to Board of Health about Aug. 17 public hearing re OSS

Aug. 10, 2021

To: Clallam County Board of Health (cthompson@clallam.co.wa.us)
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Ed Chadd

Thompson, Celia

From: edchadd@olympen.com
Sent: Thursday, August 12, 2021 8:45 AM
To: Thompson, Celia
Cc: Green, Joel; 'Robbie Mantooth'
Subject: Comments related to Aug. 17 public hearing about OSS manual

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I fully support the comments below, supported by my 20 years of service to the people and ecosystems of Clallam County running the Streamkeepers program. Many streams in Clallam county have not seen regular sampling for fecal bacteria for many years. We can't know if problems are emerging unless we monitor for them, and it is not acceptable to deal with problems by blinding ourselves to them. Also, it is way past time to adopt fees for owners of septic systems to assure that these systems do not harm our public resources.

Ed Chadd, retired Clallam County employee, Port Angeles

To: Clerk, Clallam County Board of Health (cthompson@clallam.co.wa.us)

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We look forward to working with the Environmental Health Department to make sure our efforts will be most helpful as we continue to try to help our public officials with making sure taxpayers' resources are used as effectively as possible for the health of people, wildlife and potential economic development opportunities.

In our opinion, continuing to expose the salmon, steelhead and other fish of Ennis Creek to pollutants that may be coming from leaking septic systems – even for three more years – is not fair to the fish or people. We can't know if some systems

James Brandt

Comments: word has come down the pipe line, that you are trying to connect a fee to our property tax disguising it as a fee, when in reality its a tax. you've been told before NO, no means no. If this is true, I as a tax paying citizen want to go down on the records as being completely against it! If you are trying to pay for the money you spent on the Covid fiasco find a less sneakier way, maybe by cutting pay and perks at the top of the latter!

James Brandt

Thompson, Celia

From: Gores, Alanna
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 10:58 AM
To: Ozias, Mark; Peach, Bill; Johnson, Randy; LoPiccolo, Kevin; Thompson, Celia; Garcelon, Jennifer
Subject: FW: tax disguised as septic fee

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Comment no septic fees.

Loni Gores
Clerk of the Board
Commissioners Office
223 East 4th Street, Suite 4
Port Angeles, WA 98362
Phone: 360-417-2256

-----Original Message-----

From: James Brandt [<mailto:ejbrandt1735@hotmail.com>]
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 10:34 AM
To: Gores, Alanna
Subject: tax disguised as septic fee

To: commissioners@co.clallam.wa.us (Commissioners' Office)

This message was sent via the Clallam Website Email Form 08-16-2021.

Name: James Brandt

Email: ejbrandt1735@hotmail.com

Subject: tax disguised as septic fee

Karin Cummins

Thompson, Celia

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 7:57 AM
To: Garcelon, Jennifer; LoPiccolo, Kevin; Thompson, Celia
Subject: FW: Illegal Septic "fee"

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-----Original Message-----

From: Karin Cummins [<mailto:karinc@olypen.com>]
Sent: Sunday, August 15, 2021 3:09 PM
To: Ozias, Mark
Cc: Johnson, Randy; Peach, Bill
Subject: Illegal Septic "fee"

Mr Ozias,

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CLALLAM COUNTY SEPTIC OWNERS

Submit comments

BEFORE

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"Collecting Fees thru The Property Tax Mechanism" is a No No!

Bill Peach:

Thompson, Celia

Cummins

From: Gores, Alanna
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 12:40 PM
To: LoPiccolo, Kevin; Thompson, Celia; Garcelon, Jennifer
Subject: FW: Illegal Septic "fee"

Comment received for Septic fees.

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From: Ozias, Mark
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To: Karin Cummins
Cc: Gores, Alanna
Subject: Re: Illegal Septic "fee"

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Mark Ozias:

mozias@co.clallam.wa.us

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Karin Cummins
62 Mtn View Drive
Sequim
360-461-2882

Karin

Harvey Meyer

Mark Ozias
Clallam County Commissioner

From: Harvey Meyer <cully1954.hm@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 15, 2021 4:47 PM
To: Ozias, Mark
Subject: Septic fees

*** EXTERNAL EMAIL *** This message was sent from outside our County network.

We do not need a new tax/fee on our septic systems.
We already have paid thousands of dollars for our design, fees and inspections.
We are already fee and taxed to death.
Just say no to new fees or taxes.

Cummins

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Jim and Mary Kay Davis

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 7:57 AM
To: Garcelon, Jennifer; LoPiccolo, Kevin; Thompson, Celia
Subject: FW: Clallam County Septic Systems

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From: Jim Davis [<mailto:jimlead1@hotmail.com>]
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 8:46 AM
To: Peach, Bill; Ozias, Mark
Subject: Clallam County Septic Systems

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Jim & Mary Kay Davis (3)

Thompson, Celia

From: Gores, Alanna
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 1:14 PM
To: LoPiccolo, Kevin; Thompson, Celia; Garcelon, Jennifer
Subject: FW: Clallam County Septic Systems

Septic fee comment.

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From: Jim Davis [<mailto:jimlead1@hotmail.com>]
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 12:43 PM
To: Ozias, Mark
Cc: Gores, Alanna
Subject: Re: Clallam County Septic Systems

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What is the "program" suppose to provide?

Blessings,
Jim D

From: Ozias, Mark <mozias@co.clallam.wa.us>
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 12:34 PM
To: Jim Davis <jimlead1@hotmail.com>
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Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 1:13 PM
To: LoPiccolo, Kevin; Thompson, Celia; Garcelon, Jennifer
Subject: FW: Clallam County Septic Systems

Additional - Septic fee comment.

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From: Jim Davis [<mailto:jimlead1@hotmail.com>]
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 12:39 PM
To: Ozias, Mark
Cc: Gores, Alanna
Subject: Re: Clallam County Septic Systems

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We are also on a septic tank, so no, I do not support additional "fees" that can be raised without being asked if I agree with the increase. Again, taxing without representation!

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From: Ozias, Mark <mozias@co.clallam.wa.us>
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Richard Schneider

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From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 7:57 AM
To: Garcelon, Jennifer; LoPiccolo, Kevin; Thompson, Celia
Subject: FW: Support for septic ordinance & fee

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From: Richard Schneider [<mailto:rchrdschndr@gmail.com>]
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 5:54 AM
Cc: Peach, Bill; Johnson, Randy; Ozias, Mark
Subject: Support for septic ordinance & fee

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Septic fee comment.

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From: Ozias, Mark
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 12:32 PM
To: Richard Schneider
Cc: Gores, Alanna
Subject: Re: Support for septic ordinance & fee

Thanks for your words of support, Mr. Schneider.

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JP Persall

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Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 7:57 AM
To: Garcelon, Jennifer; LoPiccolo, Kevin; Thompson, Celia
Subject: FW: Septic fee

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-----Original Message-----

From: jp persall [<mailto:jppersall@icloud.com>]
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 8:52 AM
To: bpeach@co.clallam.wa.us; Ozias, Mark; Johnson, Randy
Subject: Septic fee

I am against this new tax. Please vote against it. Thank you.

JP PERSALL
23 TOZZER LANE
SEQUIM (outside of city)

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Subject: Re: Septic fee

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David Dewald

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From: Gores, Alanna
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To: LoPiccolo, Kevin; Thompson, Celia; Garcelon, Jennifer
Subject: FW: NO MORE TAXES !!!!!

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From: Ozias, Mark
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 12:42 PM
To: David Dewald
Cc: Gores, Alanna
Subject: Re: NO MORE TAXES !!!!!

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From: David Dewald <dhcc00@yahoo.com>

Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 9:41 AM

To: Johnson, Randy; Ozias, Mark

Subject: NO MORE TAXES !!!!!

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If in fact true there's a consideration to increase county septic taxes please don't do it! The economy is bad enough and many are suffering financially, this would add to one's financial stress!!!!

Dave

Tom Cox

Thompson, Celia

From: Gores, Alanna
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 7:36 AM
To: LoPiccolo, Kevin; Thompson, Celia; Garcelon, Jennifer
Subject: FW: Septic "Fee"

Septic comment.

*Loni Gores
Clerk of the Board
Commissioners Office
223 East 4th Street, Suite 4
Port Angeles, WA 98362
Phone: 360-417-2256*

From: Peach, Bill
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 6:50 PM
To: Gores, Alanna
Subject: Fwd: Septic "Fee"

For the 1:30 BOH meeting

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Tom Cox <tomcoxwcg@msn.com>
Date: August 16, 2021 at 4:57:36 PM PDT
To: "Ozias, Mark" <mozias@co.clallam.wa.us>, "Johnson, Randy" <rjohnson@co.clallam.wa.us>, "Peach, Bill" <bpeach@co.clallam.wa.us>
Subject: Septic "Fee"

Dear Commissioners, I would ask that if a vote to impose a fee on septic systems is put forward, you each vote NO. I don't know one person who understands why this "fee" is needed. It is viewed and rightfully so, as another tax on the citizens who are being taxed beyond reason these days. We, who use septic, have paid for our permits and inspections, so we see no return value in yet another way to increase our property taxes.

Thank you for your consideration of my request.

Tom Cox
Dungeness

Sent from my iPad

Tom Cox

Thompson, Celia

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 7:55 AM
To: Thompson, Celia; LoPiccolo, Kevin; Garcelon, Jennifer
Subject: FW: Septic "Fee"

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To: Ozias, Mark; Johnson, Randy; Peach, Bill
Subject: Septic "Fee"

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Sent from my iPad

John Earhart

Thompson, Celia

From: Gores, Alanna
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 7:36 AM
To: LoPiccolo, Kevin; Thompson, Celia; Green, Joel
Subject: FW: Septic Fee

Septic comment.

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From: Peach, Bill
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 6:52 PM
To: Gores, Alanna
Subject: Fwd: Septic Fee

For the BOH meeting Tuesday.

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: John EARHART <earhartjj@msn.com>
Date: August 16, 2021 at 4:52:11 PM PDT
To: "Johnson, Randy" <rjohnson@co.clallam.wa.us>, "Ozias, Mark" <mozias@co.clallam.wa.us>, "Peach, Bill" <bpeach@co.clallam.wa.us>
Cc: Janet Carlisle <donjansequim@yahoo.com>
Subject: Septic Fee

Why do you allow the Board Of Health to continue with this illegal fee. I pay annually to have my septic system inspected per County requirements. If property owners are not in compliance to have their system inspected go after them. What you are attempting to do is illegal just like it was in 2010.

Sent from my iPad ~~56~~
Jack

Mary Ann Tupper

Thompson, Celia

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 7:55 AM
To: LoPiccolo, Kevin; Thompson, Celia; Garcelon, Jennifer
Subject: FW: Septic tank fee

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From: mary tupper [<mailto:huntinmama8@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 5:10 PM
To: Peach, Bill
Subject: Septic tank fee

*** EXTERNAL EMAIL *** This message was sent from outside our County network.

I am writing to express my disapproval of a septic tank fee.
Sincerely
Mary Ann Tupper

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

Thompson, Celia

Janet Carlisle

From: Gores, Alanna
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 7:37 AM
To: LoPiccolo, Kevin; Thompson, Celia; Garcelon, Jennifer
Subject: FW: code 41.50 fee for on-site

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From: Peach, Bill
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 6:57 PM
To: Gores, Alanna
Subject: Fwd: code 41.50 fee for on-site

For the BOH meeting Tuesday

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Janet Carlisle <donjansequim@yahoo.com>
Date: August 16, 2021 at 6:09:30 PM PDT
To: "Peach, Bill" <bpeach@co.clallam.wa.us>
Subject: Fw: code 41.50 fee for on-site

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----- Forwarded Message -----

From: Janet Carlisle <donjansequim@yahoo.com>
To: mpeach@co.clallam.wa.us <mpeach@co.clallam.wa.us>
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021, 05:54:00 PM PDT
Subject: code 41.50 fee for on-site

Mr Peach please look up rcw 84.08.010 Powers of Dept of Revenue it clearly states rules and procedures for real or personal taxation to secure uniform assessments. Equality for taxation is the key word and that is what Douglas Jensen 1/28/2010 was stating in his determination by e mail, now released by BOH Director Mr Picolo please vote No on this it doesn't meet the sniff test not in 2010, 2019 and not NOW.

Janet Carlisle

Thompson, Celia

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 7:55 AM
To: Thompson, Celia; LoPiccolo, Kevin; Garcelon, Jennifer
Subject: FW: Septic Fee

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-----Original Message-----

From: John EARHART [<mailto:earhartjj@msn.com>]
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 4:52 PM
To: Johnson, Randy; Ozias, Mark; Peach, Bill
Cc: Janet Carlisle
Subject: Septic Fee

Why do you allow the Board Of Health to continue with this illegal fee. I pay annually to have my septic system inspected per County requirements. If property owners are not in compliance to have their system inspected go after them. What you are attempting to do is illegal just like it was in 2010.

Sent from my iPad 📧
Jack

Terri Di Martino

Thompson, Celia

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 7:43 AM
To: LoPiccolo, Kevin; Thompson, Celia; Garcelon, Jennifer
Subject: FW: No Septic tax

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From: girldog2007 [<mailto:girldog2007@gmail.com>]
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 8:15 PM
To: Johnson, Randy; Ozias, Mark; Peach, Bill
Subject: No Septic tax

*** EXTERNAL EMAIL *** This message was sent from outside our County network.

Dear Commissioners:

Please vote no on the proposed septic tax. This is an unfair tax. I paid for my septic system, and I pay for \$360 dollars a year to have inspected. Why is another fee/tax on top of that needed?

Respectfully,
Terri DiMartino
Sequim, WA

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

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Thompson, Celia

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 7:53 AM
To: LoPiccolo, Kevin; Thompson, Celia; Garcelon, Jennifer
Subject: FW: Septic Tax

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-----Original Message-----

From: wreta@att.net [mailto:wreta@att.net]
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 7:09 AM
To: Peach, Bill
Subject: Septic Tax

Please vote no

Sent from my iPhone

Bert Caldwell

Thompson, Celia

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 7:54 AM
To: LoPiccolo, Kevin; Thompson, Celia; Garcelon, Jennifer
Subject: FW: Septic fee/tax

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-----Original Message-----

From: BERT CALDWELL [<mailto:gazelle596@msn.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 7:42 AM
To: Peach, Bill
Subject: Septic fee/tax

Dear Sir;

Please vote NO on the septic fee/tax. We paid \$20,000 ten years ago to build a Glendon system and an additional \$2000 to build a fence to keep the deer off of it. We also pay \$150/year to have it professionally inspected because we are not legally allowed to take classes and self-inspect a Glendon system.

Have you considered limiting the number of new builds with septic systems? It's unclear what you plan to do with these monies. Do they go to a slush fund or will they be kept in a separate account for a specific well-defined plan? What are you doing to bring all households onto a city system?

Thank you,
Lisa Caldwell

Pam Fries

Thompson, Celia

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 7:54 AM
To: Thompson, Celia
Subject: FW: Fee

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From: Gores, Alanna **On Behalf Of** Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 7:54 AM
To: LoPiccolo, Kevin; Peach, Bill; Garcelon, Jennifer
Subject: FW: Fee

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From: Pam Fries [<mailto:pfries4@gmail.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 6:46 AM
To: Pam Fries
Subject: Fee

*** EXTERNAL EMAIL *** This message was sent from outside our County network.

Since my husband passed away 3 years ago I am now on a much reduced income. This means that the property we have had, built our home on I am .now struggling to pay property taxes on. The taxes just went up and now there is a new proposal for an fee for septic?? I am not the only person feeling the burden of heavy taxes. We have already had our septic permit approved and have to have it inspected on top of that. When is this going to stop?

Please vote against this tax. You are taxing people out of their property.
Pam Fries

Nick and Tonya Gear

Thompson, Celia

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 7:55 AM
To: Thompson, Celia; LoPiccolo, Kevin; Garcelon, Jennifer
Subject: FW: fee on septic systems

Importance: High

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-----Original Message-----

From: tonick@olypen.com [<mailto:tonick@olypen.com>]
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 5:23 PM
To: Peach, Bill; Johnson, Randy; Ozias, Mark
Subject: fee on septic systems
Importance: High

Dear Commissioners,

I am writing you today as a Clallam County property tax payer. As Clallam County resident whose property taxes jumped up substantially, gas prices going through the roof, and inflation on the rise, I would think you could give your constituents a break. Please quit bleeding us dry! We do not have endless income to spend on all of your pet projects. We already spend enough on up keep of our septic without you adding more fees. PLEASE think about lowering our taxes & fees, giving your voters a break.

Thank You,
Nick and Tonya Gear

Melissa Doyel / Michael Davis

Thompson, Celia

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 7:56 AM
To: Thompson, Celia; Garcelon, Jennifer; LoPiccolo, Kevin
Subject: FW: Vote NO on county Septic Owner fee

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From: Melissa Doyel [mailto:mdoyel_1999@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 2:11 PM
To: Peach, Bill
Subject: Vote NO on county Septic Owner fee

*** EXTERNAL EMAIL *** This message was sent from outside our County network.

To: Commissioner Bill Peach:

As a Clallam county property owner with septic system, we are asking you to vote NO on the proposed 'fee' via property tax for Septic Owners.

As a Clallam county septic owner, WE already pay for the inspection, cleaning and maintaining of our septic system. There should be no fee (tax) collected in our property taxes for the county to use implementing a Septic Operational Plan.

Additionally, It concerns us that this \$13 amount is seemingly random with no regulatory parameters for maximum fees and no transparency for how the money is used. Whether its legal to arbitrarily tax septic users with this starting number should be researched and reconsidered. Please vote NO.

Regards,

Melissa Doyel
Michael Davis

Thompson, Celia

Lori Taylor

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 7:56 AM
To: Thompson, Celia; Garcelon, Jennifer; LoPiccolo, Kevin
Subject: FW: new proposed septic fee

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-----Original Message-----

From: loritaylor@olypen.com [<mailto:loritaylor@olypen.com>]
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 12:15 PM
To: Peach, Bill
Subject: new proposed septic fee

Dear MR. Peach,

I'm counting on you to represent the people in your district and vote NO.

CLALLAM COUNTY SEPTIC OWNERS

Submit comments

BEFORE

This upcoming Tues. Aug 17th

Commissioners are trying to add a tax disguised as a fee to your property taxes. Adding taxes and fees to property owners is like drugs for an addict. This fee is currently \$13.00 and it's a "gateway" fee.

Once it's in, they will keep jacking it up. They have tried this before in 2010 and were told NO. "Collecting Fees thru The Property Tax Mechanism" is a No No!

Sincerely,

Thompson, Celia

Kenneth Badyl

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 7:56 AM
To: Garcelon, Jennifer; LoPiccolo, Kevin; Thompson, Celia
Subject: FW: collecting fees through the property tax mechanism

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From: Kenneth Badyl [<mailto:kennethbadyl@hotmail.com>]
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 10:26 AM
To: Peach, Bill
Subject: re: collecting fees through the property tax mechanism

*** EXTERNAL EMAIL *** This message was sent from outside our County network.

To Bill Peach:

I need you to know that I *oppose* collecting fees through the property tax mechanism.

Sincerely,

Kenneth Badyl

Rebekah Skrzeczkoski

Thompson, Celia

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 7:57 AM
To: Garcelon, Jennifer; LoPiccolo, Kevin; Thompson, Celia
Subject: FW: Collecting Fees through The Property Tax Mechanism

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Flagged

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From: rebekah skrzeczkoski [<mailto:rejoyable@gmail.com>]
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 10:15 AM
To: Peach, Bill
Subject: Collecting Fees through The Property Tax Mechanism

*** EXTERNAL EMAIL *** This message was sent from outside our County network.

Mr. Bill Peach,

I, Rebekah Skrzeczkoski, a Clallam County registered voter oppose collecting fees through the property tax mechanism.

Thank you,

Rebekah

Thompson, Celia

Rebekah Skrzeczkoski

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 7:57 AM
To: Garcelon, Jennifer; LoPiccolo, Kevin; Thompson, Celia
Subject: FW: Collecting Fees through The Property Tax Mechanism

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To: Peach, Bill
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I, Rebekah Skrzeczkoski, a Clallam County registered voter oppose collecting fees through the property tax mechanism.

Thank you,

Rebekah

Thompson, Celia

Sherry & Dennis Watson

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 7:57 AM
To: Garcelon, Jennifer; LoPiccolo, Kevin; Thompson, Celia
Subject: FW: Proposed septic tax

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From: Sherry Colgan [<mailto:slh19019@gmail.com>]
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 8:35 AM
To: Peach, Bill; Johnson, Randy; Ozias, Mark
Subject: Proposed septic tax

*** EXTERNAL EMAIL *** This message was sent from outside our County network.

I just been informed about a proposed septic tax that was going to be considered. We are unable to come to the meeting on August 17 and I want to make known that we are against this proposed tax.

Sherry & Dennis Watson

Thompson, Celia

Rachael Boyd

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 7:57 AM
To: Garcelon, Jennifer; LoPiccolo, Kevin; Thompson, Celia
Subject: FW: No to new fee's or tax's

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From: Rachael Boyd [<mailto:woodworkerme@gmail.com>]
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 7:48 AM
To: Peach, Bill
Subject: No to new fee's or tax's

*** EXTERNAL EMAIL *** This message was sent from outside our County network.

Sir's I say there should be no new fee's on Clallam County property owner with a septic systems
Sent from Mail for Windows

Harvey D.

Thompson, Celia

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 7:57 AM
To: Garcelon, Jennifer; LoPiccolo, Kevin; Thompson, Celia
Subject: FW: Septic

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From: harveyd54 [<mailto:harveyd54@ymail.com>]
Sent: Sunday, August 15, 2021 4:24 PM
To: Peach, Bill
Subject: Septic

*** EXTERNAL EMAIL *** This message was sent from outside our County network.

We do not need a new tax on our septic systems.
We've already have spent thousands of dollars on design, permits and installation.
You are taxing us to death.
I'm on a fixed income. I don't get extra money for anything.
Social security does not give me that big of a pay raise

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

Joyce Marin

Thompson, Celia

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 7:59 AM
To: Garcelon, Jennifer; LoPiccolo, Kevin; Thompson, Celia
Subject: FW: Septic fee

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-----Original Message-----

From: Joyce marin [<mailto:sophiestorch3@icloud.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 7:57 AM
To: Peach, Bill
Subject: Septic fee

Please vote "No" on the proposed septic fee. I am a Sequim resident living on a limited income.

Joyce Marin

Joyce 🐾🐾

Thompson, Celia

Soils Application

Eric Hibbard
Kyle Kiesser
Tristin Dodson
Iain Thill

From: Feller, Adar
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 8:58 AM
To: LoPiccolo, Kevin
Cc: Thompson, Celia
Subject: FW: Ordinance amendment to Chapter 41.20

Public comment for today's BOH hearing from Septic Designer & Inspection company.

~Adar Feller~ | Clallam County Environmental Health
111 East 3rd Street, Port Angeles, WA 98362-3018
Tele: 360-417-2408 | afeller@co.clallam.wa.us
[Online Permit System](#) | [Septics 201 DIY](#) | ['as-built' Requests](#)

From: Eric Hibbard [<mailto:info@soilsapplication.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 7:52 AM
To: Feller, Adar
Subject: Ordinance amendment to Chapter 41.20

Eric Hibbard, 53 Timberline Drive. Sequim, WA 98382
Kyle Kiesser, 301 E Silberhorn Rd Sequim, WA 98382
Tristin Dodson, 255 Barnes Rd Sequim, WA 98382
Iain Thill, 147 Humble Hill Rd Sequim, WA 98382

We are writing to voice our support for the changes proposed to the ordinance amendment in Chapter 41.20 relating to the existing fee schedule and collection system.

We would be at this meeting in-person to voice our favor of change if not for the recent return to masking and indoor capacity limitations.

We have been in business in Clallam County actually doing the work that is described in these fees since 1989.

More than a decade ago our state mandated that all counties attempt to monitor the health of individually owned septic systems within their jurisdiction in an effort to protect all our waterways and general public health.

The current mechanism of fee collection does not generate enough capital to cover the cost of staffing, tracking, monitoring, follow-up, and complaints. As of now, Clallam County relies on grant funding to try and deal with the State required data compiling. This is a ridiculously inefficient way to deal with the situation. It is past time to make the change to clear up inconsistencies that depend on the level of grant support for any particular fiscal period.

Also, the current fee and collection mechanism does inconsistently apply fees to some while others have never paid for any portion of the county's critical infrastructure. Many of these "Non-payer" examples take the most time and resources to deal with when we finally discover issues with the systems they own and do not maintain.

This proposed method of fee/collection will more evenly distribute the costs relating to the State-Required county infrastructure that collects/records/follow up with, responds to emergency situations, and provides guidance for professionals in our industry.

Thompson, Celia

LaPlante

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 11:59 AM
To: Thompson, Celia; LoPiccolo, Kevin; Garcelon, Jennifer
Subject: FW: NO on Septic Tax

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-----Original Message-----

From: Deborah O'Loane [<mailto:deboloane@hotmail.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 8:00 AM
To: Peach, Bill
Subject: NO on Septic Tax

Dear Commissioner Peach,

I am urging you to vote NO on the Septic Tax bill.

Property owners already take responsibility for septic system construction, maintenance and repairs as well as pay tax on the property the system sets.

Thank you for your consideration of blocking a tax that makes no sense.

Sincerely,

Deborah LaPlante
182 Ivy Lane
Port Angeles, WA 98362

Sent from my iPhone

Gary Rudolf

Thompson, Celia

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 11:59 AM
To: Thompson, Celia; LoPiccolo, Kevin; Garcelon, Jennifer
Subject: FW: Vote No on septic fees.

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From: Gary Rudolf [<mailto:grudolf625@gmail.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 8:13 AM
To: Peach, Bill
Subject: Vote No on septic fees.

*** EXTERNAL EMAIL *** This message was sent from outside our County network.

We have paid our fair share through high \$ engineering and construction costs with county approval.

Carol Rutledge

Thompson, Celia

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 11:59 AM
To: Thompson, Celia; LoPiccolo, Kevin; Garcelon, Jennifer
Subject: FW: Vote NO on septic system fee (tax?)

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From: Carol Rutledge [<mailto:nvrsano@olypen.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 8:29 AM
To: Johnson, Randy; Ozias, Mark; Peach, Bill
Subject: Vote NO on septic system fee (tax?)

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Please register my request of you to vote NO on the proposed septic system fee (tax?). Stop the bleeding now! Are you not aware of the inflation going on and on and on plus the fees already paid for septic systems so that we can flush a toilet in this county?

Vote "NO"

Carol Rutledge

PO Box 358

Sequim, WA 98382

Thompson, Celia

Christopher Burton

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 12:00 PM
To: Thompson, Celia; LoPiccolo, Kevin; Garcelon, Jennifer
Subject: FW: NO to Additional Septic Tax

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From: Christopher Burton [<mailto:chris@photolynx.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 8:52 AM
To: Peach, Bill
Subject: NO to Additional Septic Tax

Hello,

As a long-time resident of Sequim, I oppose a new tax on current residents. What you do with new developments is up to you.

Christopher R. Burton
331 S Scott Drive

Scott King
Kitty Sockappa

Thompson, Celia

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 12:00 PM
To: Thompson, Celia; LoPiccolo, Kevin; Garcelon, Jennifer
Subject: FW: NO NEW Property Assessment Fees - Septic Tax

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From: S K [<mailto:smkinseattle@gmail.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 9:37 AM
To: Johnson, Randy; Ozias, Mark; Peach, Bill; King, Scott
Subject: NO NEW Property Assessment Fees - Septic Tax

*** EXTERNAL EMAIL *** This message was sent from outside our County network.

I am writing to let you know that I am AGAINST any new fees, and in this case the Septic Tax fee, that I understand is being voted on tonite - August 17th.

With rampant inflation that includes Gas, Food, and everything else ... we should not be adding onto the burden of Property Owners!!

Thank you for reading this and voting accordingly.

-Scott King
-Kitty Sockappa
Sequim, WA

Thompson, Celia

Bonnie Dawson

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 12:00 PM
To: Thompson, Celia; LoPiccolo, Kevin; Garcelon, Jennifer
Subject: FW: Septic Tax

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From: Bonnie [<mailto:bdawson@copper.net>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 9:40 AM
To: Peach, Bill
Subject: Septic Tax

Please vote no on this tax. We don't need any more property taxes.
Thank you,
Bonnie Dawson
202 Koeppe Drive
Sequim, WA

Thompson, Celia

Ronald Dawson

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 12:00 PM
To: Thompson, Celia; LoPiccolo, Kevin; Garcelon, Jennifer
Subject: FW: Septic fee

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From: Ron Dawson [<mailto:rbdawson@copper.net>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 9:49 AM
To: Peach, Bill
Cc: Johnson, Randy; Ozias, Mark
Subject: Septic fee

I own a home in Clallam county that is connected to a septic tank. I inspect this tank every year and report it to the county on line. There is virtually no cost to the county and no reason for me to pay a fee. The county gets enough of **MY** money as it is.

Ronald Dawson - A registered voter

Thompson, Celia

Angela Watson

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 12:00 PM
To: Thompson, Celia; LoPiccolo, Kevin; Garcelon, Jennifer
Subject: FW: Septic Fee Vote

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-----Original Message-----

From: Angela Watson [<mailto:bleumoon3@gmail.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 10:02 AM
To: Peach, Bill
Subject: Septic Fee Vote

Dear Mr. Peach,
I would like you to vote no on this measure when it comes up for a vote today.

I've already paid for the septic design, I pay for pumping and for inspections. I'm on a fixed income and charging me additional fees (which is code for unvoted tax), would be a hardship.

Please support your constituents and vote no.

Thank you,
Angela Watson
11 Landgrove Lane
Sequim

Thompson, Celia

Opdykkl@olypen.com

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 12:00 PM
To: Thompson, Celia; LoPiccolo, Kevin; Garcelon, Jennifer
Subject: FW: Proposed Septic Tax

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-----Original Message-----

From: opdykkl@olypen.com [mailto:opdykkl@olypen.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 10:18 AM
To: Peach, Bill
Subject: Fwd: Proposed Septic Tax

----- Original Message -----

Subject: Proposed Septic Tax
Date: 2021-08-17 10:09
From: opdykkl@olypen.com
To: Rjohnson@co.Clallam, Amazon Kindle Support
<cust.service03@amazon.com>

Good Morning R Johnson,

Please do not vote yes for the proposed "Septic Tax". My husband and I have been retired for approximately 10 years living in the same house since 1976. We have lived through Property Taxes increases throughout the years. We have problems rounding up the amount we are taxed now and another increase would affect our budget considerably.

Thompson, Celia

CG King

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 12:00 PM
To: Thompson, Celia; LoPiccolo, Kevin; Garcelon, Jennifer
Subject: FW: Septic system fee

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From: C. Gerald King [<mailto:cgking3@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 10:33 AM
To: Peach, Bill
Subject: Septic system fee

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I sincerely request you vote against the proposed septic system fee.

C. G. King

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

ktmckaig

Thompson, Celia

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 12:01 PM
To: Thompson, Celia; LoPiccolo, Kevin; Garcelon, Jennifer
Subject: FW: Septic tax

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-----Original Message-----

From: ktmckaig@gmail.com [mailto:ktmckaig@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 10:48 AM
To: Peach, Bill
Subject: Septic tax

I ask you to vote "NO". We have enough to deal with and don't need an illegal tax on septic.
Thank you!

Sent from my iPhone

Thompson, Celia

Joe + Pam Grider

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 2:57 PM
To: Thompson, Celia; Garcelon, Jennifer; LoPiccolo, Kevin
Subject: FW: \$13.00 Septic Fee

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From: Pam Crellin [<mailto:redheadedfilly@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 1:00 PM
To: Ozias, Mark; Johnson, Randy; Peach, Bill
Subject: Re: \$13.00 Septic Fee

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Reply to: Mark Ozias:

Can you please explain the statement that septic system users are subsidizing the fees of septic owners and why would you charge those on sewer systems a septic fee. Are you going to continue charging those on sewer systems and again on their property taxes? As I stated before our property taxes have increased every year. We pay for our own inspections and they are recorded in Clallam County. You have code enforcement employees who check on those few who do not get their proper inspections. Clallam County has one of the highest median property taxes in the United States. The County collects 0.77% of a property's assessed fair market value. It's time you budget your monies properly and stop adding unnecessary fees to increase your coffers.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe and Pam Grider
Mains Farm residents

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

On Tuesday, August 17, 2021, 11:03 AM, Ozias, Mark <mozias@co.clallam.wa.us> wrote:

Mr. and Mrs. Grider,

Thank you for taking the time to write. We are considering adopting an annual fee to support the county's on-site septic program for a variety of reasons, including the reality that we are bound both by state law and by previous agreement with the Department of Ecology to develop stable funding for this program.

As a septic owner who incurs significant annual expense for my own inspection I understand and relate both to the expense, and to the question of fairness: Why would I be asked to pay, through an annual fee, an expense that should be attributable to others (assuming my own system remains properly-functioning.)

I would ask you to consider that what we are currently doing is asking all taxpayers - including those who are on a sewer system and already paying all of the associated costs for that system (which include program management) - to pay for an expense that should fairly be borne only by septic owners. Right now, there are a whole lot of people who have never had a septic system who are subsidizing the cost for you, and me, and all others who own septic systems, to operate. This is fundamentally unfair in my view, and just as I have people like you who are reaching out in opposition to this fee there are others who are reaching out to say "thank you" for asking people who choose to live in a location where sewer is not available to pay the cost associated with that choice.

If you are interested in better understanding the on-site program, why it exists and how these dollars would be used there is a pretty good overview from the July Board of Health meeting packet which can be found at clallam.net on the Board of Health page.

Sincerely,

Mark Ozias

Clallam County Commissioner

From: Pam Crellin <redheadedfilly@yahoo.com>

Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 10:53:52 AM

To: Johnson, Randy; Ozias, Mark; Peach, Bill

Subject: \$13.00 Septic Fee

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We live in the Mains Farm community in Clallam County and we have a mound septic system which we pay \$135.00 per year to have the required inspection. We don't see the need for additional monies included on our property taxes which have also increased yearly since acquiring our home. There is no guarantee that this fee won't continue to increase each year nor that it would be used strictly for the purpose stated. Sequim has a large population of seniors on fixed income and to continually add these small fees here and there and raise taxes each year is detrimental to this population. Therefore we are against this new septic fee.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe and Pam Grider
40 Bay View Street
Sequim, Washington 98382

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

Adam and Renae Gilles

Thompson, Celia

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 12:01 PM
To: Thompson, Celia; LoPiccolo, Kevin; Garcelon, Jennifer
Subject: FW: No to septic fee

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From: Renae Gilles [<mailto:renaekgilles@gmail.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 11:31 AM
To: Peach, Bill; Johnson, Randy; Ozias, Mark
Subject: No to septic fee

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Hello,

We are Clallam County residents and would like to respectfully urge you to say no to the proposed septic fee. Please find another way.

Thanks,
Adam and Renae Gilles

Candie Myers

Thompson, Celia

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 12:01 PM
To: Thompson, Celia; LoPiccolo, Kevin; Garcelon, Jennifer
Subject: FW: Septic tax

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-----Original Message-----

From: Candie Myers [<mailto:cottoncandie305@hotmail.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 11:32 AM
To: Peach, Bill
Subject: Septic tax

PLEASE fight and stop this insane idea of more septic taxes. I voted FOR YOU now vote for ME!! No added septic tax as voters spoke loudly in 2010 against..
Thanks and good luck doing the right thing, Candace Myers Sequim area resident Sent from my iPad

Michele K Davis

Thompson, Celia

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 12:01 PM
To: Thompson, Celia; LoPiccolo, Kevin; Garcelon, Jennifer
Subject: FW: Septic tax vote

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From: chele Davis [<mailto:mkenzyd@gmail.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 11:58 AM
To: Peach, Bill
Subject: Septic tax vote

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Dear county commissioner,

As a property owner, and tax payer in rural Sequim WA, please vote no on the septic tax.

Sincerely appreciated,
Michele K. Davis

Thompson, Celia

Robert Watson

From: Gores, Alanna on behalf of Peach, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 2:57 PM
To: Thompson, Celia; Garcelon, Jennifer; LoPiccolo, Kevin
Subject: FW: Septic fees

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From: robertwatson1028 [<mailto:robertwatson1028@gmail.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 1:16 PM
To: Peach, Bill
Subject: Septic fees

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I am sending this email to let you know that I oppose any additional fees or taxes on my Septic System. My wife and I are on a fixed income and with inflation it's very hard to make ends meet now. My medical already takes 33% of my income now . Also it's double my house payment. If fees continue to go up, I will have to eventually go bankrupt!! Please see this issue from the majority of residents who are retired and moved here because of the lower county costs. Thank you for your consideration.

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

Thompson, Celia

Carol Lunsford

From: Gores, Alanna
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 4:45 PM
To: Johnson, Randy; Ozias, Mark; Peach, Bill; Thompson, Celia; LoPiccolo, Kevin; Garcelon, Jennifer
Subject: FW: Public Hearing

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-----Original Message-----

From: Carrol Lunsfprd [<mailto:clunsford000@centurytel.net>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 4:43 PM
To: Gores, Alanna
Subject: Public Hearing

To: commissioners@co.clallam.wa.us (Commissioners' Office)

This message was sent via the Clallam Website Email Form 08-17-2021.

Name: Carrol Lunsfprd

Email: clunsford000@centurytel.net

Subject: Public Hearing

Comments: By chance today while re-reading my Sunday Daily News, I saw a small public notice on page A13 regarding a public hearing in 2 days regarding "on-site septic system and operations maintenance program funding structure" TAX INCREASE in plain words. Is it me or do any of

you find it strange that a small notice is HIDDEN on page A13, the only day with enough pages to hide anything. Looking closely I did see where it was published on August 8. also on page A13. Please take action to stop this END RUN to impose a tax on the property owners of Clallam County. The last time this was tried it met with much resistance at public meetings in the West End. Stop this process until people feel free to attend in-person meetings to see what is being shoved down our throats.

Thompson, Celia

Lee Strucker

From: LoPiccolo, Kevin
Sent: Wednesday, August 18, 2021 3:04 PM
To: Thompson, Celia
Subject: FW: On site sewage system fees

-----Original Message-----

From: Lee Strucker [<mailto:lstrucker@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 1:16 PM
To: LoPiccolo, Kevin
Subject: On site sewage system fees

Dear Mr. LoPiccolo,

I urge you to listen to community voices as you consider on site sewage system fees. I live in the watershed of Ennis Creek and have visited this urban creek many times. It's beauty is amazing. I have also seen the rare Steelhead in this stream. There are many private properties that border Ennis Creek and I wonder how many of those with septic systems are unknowingly polluting the creek and our salmon population with e-coli. It would be of great benefit to the stream, the fish and animals that survive by it and the people who enjoy its natural beauty if the county would work to make sure that septic systems near the stream are up to code. Please consider Ennis Creek. It's the only stream in Port Angeles proper that has a chance of returning to some of its former health.

Thank you,

Lee Strucker

2227 E. Lindberg Rd., Port Angeles

Sent from my iPad

Rob Feller

Thompson, Celia

From: LoPiccolo, Kevin
Sent: Wednesday, August 18, 2021 3:14 PM
To: Thompson, Celia
Subject: FW: 8-17-21 Public Comment - Clallam County Board of Health

From: Rob Feller [mailto:arfeller@olypen.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 11:42 AM
To: LoPiccolo, Kevin; zEnviroHealth
Cc: arfeller@olypen.com
Subject: 8-17-21 Public Comment - Clallam County Board of Health

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Rob Feller
216 West 4th St
Port Angeles, WA 98362

City of Port Angeles Resident

I am writing to support the changes proposed in the "CLALLAM COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH FEE SCHEDULE July 1, 2022". Specifically, the \$13 operation and maintenance fee for on-site sewage system (OSS) owners.

Operation and Maintenance	
Annual O&M Fee	\$13

These OSS are part of the Clallam county infrastructure and have great potential to damage the environment if not properly maintained. The owners of the OSS system should fund and support the agency that is responsible to staff, track, inspect, and respond to complaints. Stable, consistent, and sufficient funds will ensure Clallam County Environmental Health can protect our county and satisfy state reporting requirements.

Much like a standard utility, the users of that utility should be self-funded. City sewer customers are already funding a system with heavy fees. The OSS system should be funded by the users and not supplemented by city sewer rate payers. As part of the infrastructure a cost of service (COS) evaluation should be conducted if it has not already been completed.

Thank you,

Rob Feller