# **Inspect Minnesota & Midwest Soil Testing**

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SUBSURFACE SEWAGE TREATMENT SYST	EM (SSTS) COMPLIANCE REPORT
<b>Date:</b> 12/7/16 & 12/12/16 <b>Time:</b> 2:15 PM 9:00 A	M <b>Owner:</b> Floyd & Gloria Johnson
Inspection Address: 14595 Ostlund Trl N, May Twp,	MN Site Conditions: 6" Snow 6" Frost

#### **REPORT SUMMARY**

I have performed an "MPCA Compliance Inspection" on this system and have reviewed the original design/permit records on file at Washington County. This very old system (installed in 1984) consists of a pre-cast septic tank and a rock trench drainfield.

Although not a compliance criteria, it should be noted that the septic tank outlet baffle is damaged and should be replaced.

Predicated on my inspection of the system and my review of the original design/permit records, it is my opinion that this system <u>presently meets</u> MPCA minimum compliance inspection requirements.

Inspect Minnesota and Midwest Soil Testing have been hired to perform a compliance inspection of this SSTS for compliance with local ordinances pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 115.55 (2013). This compliance inspection covers only the criteria required by Minn. Stat. § 115.55 Subd. 5a (2013) and Minn. R. 7080.1500 (2011). A compliance inspection is an indication of the current compliance status of the system and does not guarantee the performance or longevity of this system beyond the date of inspection, as it is impossible to determine the future performance of any system. Inspect Minnesota and Midwest Soil Testing disclaim any use of this compliance inspection beyond determining SSTS compliance pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 115.55 Subd. 5a (2013) and Minn. R. 7080.1500 (2011).

Please contact me should you have any questions.

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Minnesota Pollution Control Agency 520 Lafayette Road North St. Paul, MN 55155-4194	_	ce Inspection Form e Sewage Treatment Systems (SSTS) Doc Type: Compliance and Enforcement	
Instructions: Inspection results based on Minneson requirements and attached forms – additional local r		For local tracking purposes:	
Submit completed form to Local Unit of Govern within 15 days	ment (LUG) and system owner		
System Status System status on date (mm/dd/yyyy): 12	2/12/2016		
Compliant – Certificate of Compliant – Certificate of Compliant (Valid for 3 years from report date, unless frame outlined in Local Ordinance.)	pliance 🗌 Noncon	npliant – Notice of Noncompliance rade Requirements on page 3)	
Reason(s) for noncompliance (check	all applicable)		
Impact on Public Health (Compliance )	Component  #1) – Imminent threat to	o public health and safety	
Other Compliance Conditions (Compliance Conditions)	ance Component #3) – Imminent thr	eat to public health and safety	
Tank Integrity (Compliance Component	nt  #2) – Failing to protect groundwat	er	
Other Compliance Conditions (Compliance Component #3) – Failing to protect groundwater			
Soil Separation (Compliance Component #4) – Failing to protect groundwater			
Operating permit/monitoring plan requi	irements (Compliance Component #	‡5) – Noncompliant	

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Property Informat	ION Parcel ID# or Sec	c/Twp/Range:		
Property address: <u>1459</u>	5 Ostlund Trl N, May Twp, MN 55047	Reason for inspection:	Property Sale	
Property owner: Floyd	& Gloria Johnson	Owner's phone:		
or				
Owner's representative:	Dick Johnson (Berkshire Hathaway)	Representative phone:	612-414-4803	
_ocal regulatory authority	Washington County	Regulatory authority pho	ne: 651-430-4052	
Brief system description:	A pre-cast septic tank and a rock trench drainfie	eld.		
comments or recommendations:				

Although not a compliance criteria, it should be noted that the septic tank outlet baffle is damaged and should be replaced.

#### Certification

I hereby certify that all the necessary information has been gathered to determine the compliance status of this system. No determination of future system performance has been nor can be made due to unknown conditions during system construction, possible abuse of the system, inadequate maintenance, or future water usage.

Inspector name:	Brian Humpal	Certification number:	L5342
Business name:	Inspect Minnesota, Midwest Soil Testing	License number:	L2896
Inspector signatur	e: Brian Humpal	Phone number:	651-492-7550

#### **Necessary or Locally Required Attachments**

🛛 Soil boring logs	System/As-built drawing	Forms per local ordinance
Other information (list):	Report Summary, Property Information	n, Disclaimer, License

#### 1. Impact on Public Health – Compliance component #1 of 5

Compliance criteria:		V
System discharge sewage to the ground surface.	🗌 Yes 🛛 No	$\bowtie$
System discharge sewage to drain tile or surface waters.	🗌 Yes 🛛 No	
System cause sewage backup into dwelling or establishment.	🗌 Yes 🖾 No	
Any "yes" answer above indicate	s the system is	

Any "yes" answer above indicates the system is an Imminent Threat to Public Health and Safety.

Comments/Explanation:

None of the above found.

A soil boring over the drainfield indicated no signs of ponding or black/grey soils.

#### 2. Tank Integrity – Compliance component #2 of 5

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System consists of a seepage pit, cesspool, drywell, or leaching pit.	🗌 Yes	🛛 No
Seepage pits meeting 7080.2550 may be compliant if allowed in local ordinance.		
Sewage tank(s) leak below their designed operating depth.	🗌 Yes	🛛 No
If yes, which sewage tank(s) leaks:		

# Any "yes" answer above indicates the system is Failing to Protect Groundwater.

#### Comments/Explanation:

Lowered underwater camera into tank - tank walls OK.

Although not a compliance criteria, it should be noted that the septic tank outlet baffle is damaged and should be replaced.

#### 3. Other Compliance Conditions - Compliance component #3 of 5

- a. Maintenance hole covers are damaged, cracked, unsecured, or appear to structurally unsound. 🗌 Yes\* 🖾 No 📄 Unknown
- b. Other issues (electrical hazards, etc.) to immediately and adversely impact public health or safety.  $\Box$  Yes\*  $\boxtimes$  No  $\Box$  Unknown \*System is an imminent threat to public health and safety

Explain:

c. System is non-protective of ground water for other conditions as determined by inspector Yes\* No \*System is failing to protect groundwater

Explain:

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#### Verification method(s):

- Searched for surface outlet
- Searched for seeping in yard/backup in home
- Excessive ponding in soil system/D-boxes
- Homeowner testimony (See Comments/Explanation)
- "Black soil" above soil dispersal system
- System requires "emergency" pumping
- Performed dye test
- Unable to verify (See Comments/Explanation)
- Other methods not listed (See Comments/Explanation)

Verification method(s):

- Probed tank(s) bottom
- Examined construction records
- Examined Tank Integrity Form (Attach)
- Observed liquid level below operating depth
- Examined empty (pumped) tanks(s)
- Probed outside tank(s) for "black soil"
- Unable to verify (See Comments/Explanation)
- Other methods not listed (See Comments/Explanation)

#### **4. Soil Separation** – Compliance component #4 of 5

Date of installation: 1984	Unknown	Verification method(s):	
Shoreland/Wellhead protection/Food Beverage Lodging?	🗌 Yes 🛛 No	Soil observation does not expire. Pro observations by two independent pa	
Compliance criteria:	1	unless site conditions have been alt	
For systems built prior to April 1, 1996, and not located in Shoreland or Wellhead Protection Area or not serving a food, beverage or lodging establishment: Drainfield has at least a two-foot vertical separation distance from periodically saturated soil or bedrock.	⊠ Yes □ No	requirements differ.   Conducted soil observation(s) (A   Two previous verifications (Attac   Not applicable (Holding tank(s), not   Unable to verify (See Comments/E   Other (See Comments/Explanation)	h boring logs) o drainfield) Explanation)
Non-performance systems built April 1, 1996, or later or for non-performance systems located in Shoreland or Wellhead Protection Areas or serving a food, beverage, or lodging establishment:	☐ Yes ☐ No	Comments/Explanation: Reviewed design and permit records	S.
Drainfield has a three-foot vertical separation distance from periodically saturated soil or bedrock.*			
"Experimental", "Other", or "Performance"	🗌 Yes 🔲 No	Indicate depths of elevations	
systems built under pre-2008 Rules; Type IV or V systems built under 2008 Rules (7080. 2350 or 7080.2400 (Advanced Inspector License required)		A. Bottom of distribution media	See Attached Boring Log(s)
Drainfield meets the designed vertical		B. Periodically saturated soil/bedrock	
separation distance from periodically saturated soil or bedrock.		C. System separation	
		D. Required compliance separation*	
Any "no" answer above indicates the system is Failing to Protect Groundwater.		*May be reduced up to 15 percent if Ordinance.	allowed by Local
Operating Permit and Nitrogen B	<b>MP*</b> – Compliance	e component #5 of 5 🛛 🛛 Not appl	icable
Is the system operated under an Operating Per	mit? 🗌 Yes	⊠ No If "yes", A below is required	
Is the system required to employ a Nitrogen BMP?		⊠ No If "yes", B below is required	
BMP=Best Management Practice(s) specif	ïed in the system des	sign	
If the answer to both questions is "no",	this section does	not need to be completed.	
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Compliance criteria			

a.	Operating Permit number: Have the Operating Permit requirements been met?	🗌 Yes 🗌 No
b.	Is the required nitrogen BMP in place and properly functioning?	🗌 Yes 🗌 No

#### Any "no" answer indicates Noncompliance.

**Upgrade Requirements** (*Minn. Stat.* § 115.55) *An imminent threat to public health and safety (ITPHS) must be upgraded, replaced, or its use discontinued within ten months of receipt of this notice or within a shorter period if required by local ordinance. If the system is failing to protect ground water, the system must be upgraded, replaced, or its use discontinued within the time required by local ordinance. If an existing system is not failing as defined in law, and has at least two feet of design soil separation, then the system need not be upgraded, replaced, or its use discontinued, notwithstanding any local ordinance that is more strict. This provision does not apply to systems in shoreland areas, Wellhead Protection Areas, or those used in connection with food, beverage, and lodging establishments as defined in law.* 

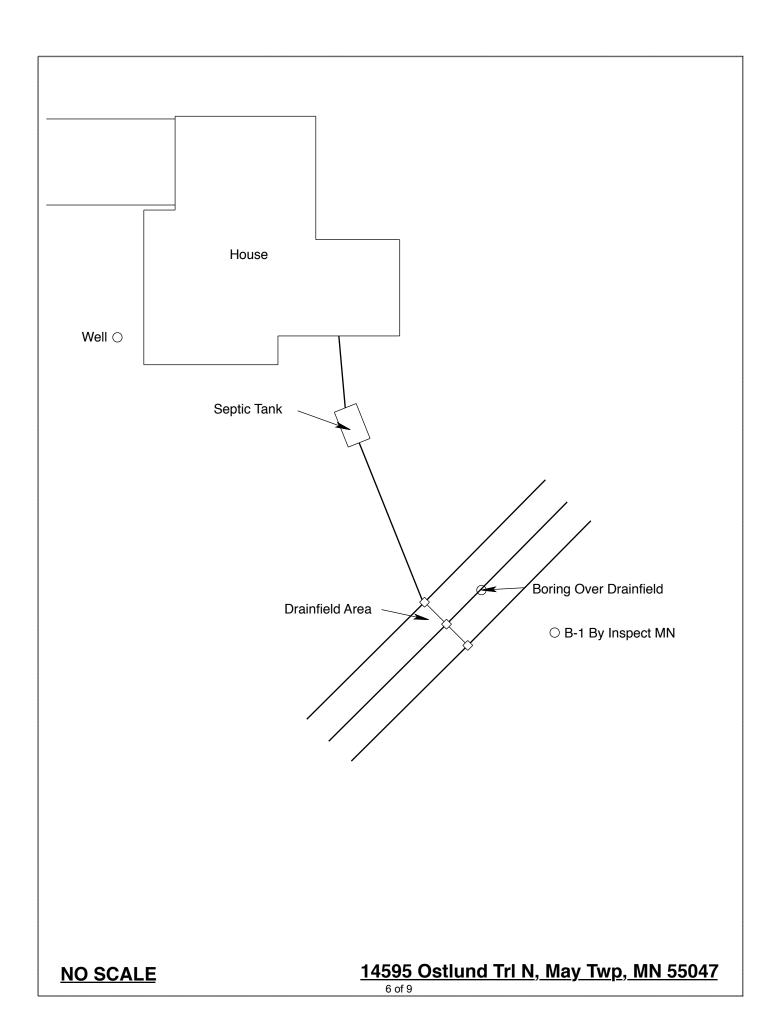
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#### Subsurface Sewage Treatment System Owner/Property Information

This information will be used for the purpose of conducting an MPCA Compliance Inspection.

Date of Inspection: 12/7/16 & 12/12/16	Time: 2:15 PM & 9:00 AM		
Property Address: 14595 Ostlund Trl N, May Twp, N	IN Zip: 55047		
Property Owner: Floyd & Gloria Johnson	Phone:		
Tank(s)Tank(s)MaterialSoil Treatment⊠Septic 1□Fiberglass⊠Rock tre	ent System Other   nch Alternative system   ss trench Experimental system   trench Cesspool system   bed Other system		
Are the tank maintenance covers accessible?  Yes performed through the maintenance holes. Maintenance the ground surface to facilitate access and proper main	ce hole covers should be made accessible to		
Year house built: 1858 Year septic installed: 19	784 Tank size (gals.): 1000		
	umber of residents in home?		
	rained by gravity? Y		
	lpool bath?		
More than one system (laundry, etc.)?			
Does this property have any footing drain tiles connected to the septic system?			
Are any buildings on this property such as garages or out-buildings connected to this system?			
Are there any additional systems on this property servi	ng other buildings?		
Location of septic system on lot? East Side			
Location of water well on lot? Southwest Side	Is the well a deep well? Y		
Have you ever experienced any problems with the system such as: tree roots, sewage back-ups, surfacing of sewage onto the ground, septic tank overflowing, etc.; or have any repairs been made to the system? If yes, explain:			
When was the system last pumped? 2014 N	ame of pumper:		
How often pumped in previous years?	Is system on a monitoring plan?		
Have you received notices from any government agency concerning this system?			
Is your property located in a shoreland management ar			
Do you have any additional information that should be			

I hereby certify that the above information is correct to the best of my knowledge. I also understand that if the system is considered "non-compliant/failing" per MPCA rules, that the inspector must by law submit a copy of this report to the local government unit within 15 days of the date of inspection completion. I also agree that unless otherwise noted in this report, that I/we are ultimately responsible for payment of all fees for all work performed relative to this inspection by Inspect Minnesota and Midwest Soil Testing.



## Log Of Soil Borings

Location of Project: 14595 Ostlund Trl N, May Twp, MN 55047					
Borings Made By: Inspect Minnesota		····		12/7/16 & 12/12/16	
	Auger Used: Hand/Bucket				USDA
Bo	Boring Number: 1		Boring Number:		
Surface Elevation of Boring		und surface as last nfield trench	Surface Elevation of Boring		
Depth In Inches	Soils Encountered		Depth In Inches	<u>Soils Er</u>	ncountered
58-80	10YR 3/4 10YR 3/4 Mediu Trace 10YR 4/4 Trace	2 Sandy Loam 4 Sandy Loam im To Fine Sand With e Of Gravel Fine Sand With e Of Gravel			
80" De	pth To End Of Boring Or Redox			Depth To End Of B	oring Or Redox
Same Ele	evation Of Boring Relative To System		Elevation Of Boring Relative To System		
			Depth To Bottom Of Distribution Media Of Separation		
End Of Boring At: 80"				End Of Boring At:	
Redox Present At: None			Redox Present At:		
Standing Water Present At: None			Standing Water Present At:		

Bottom Of Distribution Medium At: 48 Inches

# **DISCLAIMER**

#### Brian L. Humpal, Inc. dba. Inspect Minnesota, Midwest Soil Testing

#### Relative to Subsurface Sewage Treatment System (SSTS) Compliance Inspections

- 1. This inspection/report is being performed for only the seller/owner of the property on which the SSTS is located. In such case that another party is paying for the inspection, the contract is between only said party and Brian L. Humpal, Inc.; there is no contract between Brian L. Humpal, Inc. and any other party unless otherwise noted.
- 3. Brian L. Humpal, Inc. has not been retained to warranty, guarantee, or certify the proper functioning of the SSTS for any period of time beyond the date of inspection or into the future. Because of the numerous factors (usage, maintenance, soil characteristics, previous failures, etc.) which may affect the proper operation of an SSTS, as well as the inability of Brian L. Humpal, Inc. to supervise or monitor the use or maintenance of the SSTS, the report shall not be construed as a warranty by Brian L. Humpal, Inc. that the SSTS will function properly for any particular party for any period of time.
- 4. Brian L. Humpal, Inc. is unable to verify the frequency and/or, quality of prior or future maintenance of the SSTS. Maintenance of the tank(s) must be performed through the tanks maintenance hole. The removal of solids from any location other than the maintenance hole is not a compliant method of maintenance. It is strongly recommended that maintenance covers be made accessible to the ground surface to facilitate proper maintenance.
- 5. Minimum Compliance Inspection requirements relative to this inspection and this report include <u>only</u> verification that the SSTS has tank(s) (septic tanks, lift tanks, dosing tanks, stilling tanks, etc.) which are watertight below the designed operating depth, the required separation between the bottom of the subsurface soil distribution medium and seasonally saturated soils, no back-ups of sewage into the dwelling, no discharge of sewage/effluent to the ground surface or surface waters, and no imminent safety hazards. Brian L. Humpal, Inc. does not inspect plumbing or pumps prior to the first SSTS component as these are plumbing components. The performance of exterior pumps and associated components are not inspected as they are considered to be maintenance items. Additionally, no indications relative to compliance with electrical code requirements have been made. It is recommended that any other applicable plumbing, electrical, housing, etc. inspections be performed by a qualified inspection business. Sewage back-up verification is limited to observing the floor drain area and/or the information supplied by the last occupants of the building prior to inspection. Brian L. Humpal, Inc. cannot guarantee that the information given to them by the last occupants of the building prior to inspection relative to back-ups is accurate.
- 4. Certification of this SSTS does not warranty future use beyond the date of the inspection. Any SSTS, old or new, can become hydraulically overloaded or discharge sewage/effluent to the ground surface as a result of more people moving into the house than were previously occupying the house, improper maintenance, heavy usage, leaking plumbing fixtures, groundwater infiltration, tree roots, freezing conditions, surface drainage problems, poor initial design, poor construction practices, or unsuitable materials used in constructing the system; the system can also simply stop working because of its age. An SSTS that has been properly designed and installed, properly maintained, and used in the manner for which the system was designed can be expected to provide service for twenty to twenty-five years on average. Some parts of the SSTS such as alarms, switches, pumps, filters, etc. will most likely have to be repaired or replaced over the lifetime of the system.
- 5. A Compliance Inspection is not meant to be a test or inspection for longevity of the system; a Compliance Inspection is strictly for the purpose of determining if the SSTS is protective of public health and safety, as well as the groundwater at the date and time the inspection was performed. This inspection is not intended to determine if the SSTS was originally designed or installed to past or present MPCA or other Local Government Unit code requirements. This inspection is not intended to determine if the SSTS was designed and/or installed to support the anticipated flow from the building as the use of the building may have changed since the design and construction of the SSTS due to the addition of bedrooms, occupants, etc. In addition, this inspection is not intended to determine the quality of the original SSTS design, the quality of the construction practices used while installing the SSTS, or the quality of the materials used in constructing the SSTS.
- 6. Brian L. Humpal, Inc. cannot guarantee the performance of SSTS products/components such as: gravelless pipe, chamber trenches, effluent filters, tanks, sewage pre-treatment components, piping, etc. Products such as gravelless pipe are no longer approved for installation in the State of Minnesota and may have a significantly reduced performance and/or life expectancy.
- 7. WINTER WORK: By accepting this report, it is understood that inspections conducted during winter months (approximately November 1<sup>st</sup> through April 1<sup>st</sup>) are more difficult to perform because of possible snow cover and/or ground frost. SSTS components such as tanks, maintenance covers, tank inspection pipes, subsurface distribution medium inspection pipes, and soil treatment areas are more difficult or impossible to locate due to snow cover and/or ground frost. In addition, soil borings are more difficult to perform due to snow cover and/or ground frost. Brian L. Humpal, Inc. will attempt to use the same level of standards when performing work during winter periods as when performing work during non-winter periods. However, the recipient of this report understands that because of the aforementioned considerations, the same level of standards may not be possible.
- 8. By accepting this report, the client understands that Brian L. Humpal, Inc. will not be responsible for any monetary damages exceeding the fee for the services provided.

# Subsurface Sewage Treatment Systems Non-transferable Business License

# Inspect Minnesota, Midwest Soil Testing

License # L2896

License Expires: 12/22/2017

Issued: 11/29/2016

Specialty Area(s): Installer Maintainer Service Provider Advanced Designer Advanced Inspector

# **Designated Certified Individual(s):**

Cert #	Name	<b>Certification Expires:</b>			
C5342	Brian L Humpal	10/15/2017			
	Installer, Maintainer, Serv Prov, Adv Designer, Adv Inspector				
C9852	Christopher R Uebe	3/4/2018			
	Designer, Inspector				



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