



City of Malibu

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POLICY REGARDING REPLACEMENT OF A FAILED SEPTIC TANK COMPONENT FROM AN ONSITE WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM

A Coastal Development Permit will not be required for the replacement of a failed septic tank provided the following conditions are met:

- The failure of the septic tank must be documented by a City of Malibu registered Onsite Wastewater Treatment System (OWTS) Inspector.
- The capacity of the new tank may not be increased unless the capacity of the existing failed tank is less than 1500 gallons. The proposed new tank shall then be allowed to increase in capacity to 1500 gallons only to meet the minimum code standard for the City. No other increase shall be authorized.
- Only the failed tank shall be replaced. No repair, modification, or expansion of any other component of the OWTS will be authorized.
- The replacement of the failed tank shall be in the same location as the existing tank, or adjacent to the existing tank.
- An Operating Permit must be obtained upon completion of installation.

To obtain a permit to replace a failed septic tank, provide the following to the Deputy Building Official:

1. Two copies of an 11 x 17 site plan showing the location of all components of the existing OWTS components and the proposed location of the replacement tank;
2. Documentation from a registered OWTS Inspector evidencing the failed septic tank;
3. Applicable fee in accordance with the current city fee schedule.