



The Corporation of the District of Peachland
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Peachland, BC - Sewage and septic systems are not always the most pleasant topic of conversation but the District of Peachland wants to know all about it.

The District is asking those area residents who have septic systems and don't yet have access to sewer hook-up for their input to help determine future sewer lines. A questionnaire is being sent to each affected property owner.

"If you receive a questionnaire, please take a few minutes and fill it out. It's an important piece of information that will help us plan for the future expansion of Peachland's sanitary sewer network," says Doug Allin, Director of Operations with the District of Peachland.

As a first step in the Sewer Phasing Plan, the District needs to learn the status, as well as the range and severity of any problems with existing on-site septic systems. The information will then be used to update the Sewer Phasing Plan to ensure that critical, environmentally sensitive and more urgent areas are prioritized for sewer installation.

The Sewer Phasing Plan will help determine when sewer lines will be installed in certain neighbourhoods. The information will also be used on applications for crucial provincial and federal government grants that will partially fund the sewer projects.

So what happens next? The information will be gathered, a draft plan developed and then presented at an open house later this year. Watch for announcements about the open house in the local media and at www.peachland.ca.

Please watch your mailbox. Read and answer your questionnaire carefully and return the completed form to the District of Peachland on or before **February 29, 2012**. To return your completed questionnaire, simply:

- Fax to 250-767-6370
- Drop off or mail to District of Peachland office, 5806 Beach Avenue, Peachland, V0H 1X7
- Scan and email to projects@peachland.ca
- Email us at projects@peachland.ca to request an electronic version of the form you can complete online and send back via email.

If you are on a septic system and haven't received a questionnaire, simply contact Public Works staff at 250-767-2108 or email projects@peachland.ca.