

LITTLE COLORADO SANITARY DISTRICT

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To Whom It May Concern:

The Little Colorado Sanitary District employs a small diameter, overland flow design to process wastewater and sewage. Solid wastes are retained on each property to be digested by naturally occurring bacteria in a solids separation tank, while liquid effluent flows out of the tank into the District's sewer lines and thence to the processing plant north of Greer.

In 2008 the District applied for an Aquifer Protection Permit (APP) with the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ). During the application process, it was recommended the District remove all references to "septic tanks" and refer to the structures as "solids separation tanks". The tanks do not meet the ADEQ's definition of septic tank. In October, 2008, the District adopted Resolution No 08-05 to amend the rules and regulations by deleting the phrase "septic tank" and replacing with the phrase "solids separation tank". There is no leech field with the solids separation tanks.

The District requires the solids separation tank of all users be inspected, and serviced as recommended, every five years. For users who have installed and/or operate a grease trap the inspection is required every year. The mandatory inspections are necessary to ensure the integrity of the unique sewer disposal system utilized by the Little Colorado Sanitary District.



Robert Shupak,
Chairman