



City of Olympia - Comprehensive Plan Utilities Chapter

Goal 8

The City and its growth area are served by a City-owned wastewater collection and transmission system that is designed to minimize leakage, overflows, infiltration and inflows so as to provide sufficient capacity for projected demand.

Policy 8.1

Extend the wastewater gravity collection system through both public and private development projects.

Policy 8.2

Prohibit new community and individual septic systems within City limits, except when specifically allowed by the [Olympia Municipal Code](#).

Policy 8.3

Limit and ultimately phase-out community septic systems in the Urban Growth Area.

Policy 8.4

Encourage septic system owners to connect to the City wastewater system by offering incentives, cost-recovery mechanisms, pipe extensions and other tools.

Policy 8.5

Permit new STEP systems only for individual lots in neighborhoods currently served by STEP systems.

Policy 8.6

Require the conversion of septic systems to the City-owned wastewater collection system upon septic system failure or building use change, whenever feasible.



City of Olympia – 2013 Wastewater Plan Water Quality Goal 1

Objective 1B – Manage existing and potential new OSS so there is no net annual increase in the total number of OSS in Olympia’s sewer service area.

Strategy – Accommodate the limited use of new OSS systems.

Objective 1C – Encourage OSS conversions through the Septic to Sewer Program.

Strategy – Fund limited sewer extensions for OSS conversions.

Strategy – Start GFC payment plan for OSS conversions.

Strategy – Provide OSS technical assistance.

Objective 1D – Facilitate the orderly expansion of the public sewer system.

Strategy – Support alternative sewer technologies.

Strategy – Allow new STEP systems for OSS conversions and infill.

Strategy – Start a green infrastructure project evaluation process.