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Septic Sense workshop coming to the County of Stettler

*Informative session will help rural property owners better understand
and care for their septic systems.*

Did you know the average person puts 340 litres of sewage through a private sewage system (septic system) every day? For a family of four living in a two-bedroom house, that amounts to 1,360 litres per day and just under half a million litres per year. Improperly managed septic systems have the potential to have a significant negative effect on the Alberta landscape.

Rural property owners are responsible for ensuring their systems operate properly and safely. If you have a septic system on your rural property, you will benefit from attending this workshop. Presenters will teach you how to understand, assess and properly manage your septic system, enabling you to protect your investment in your property and the valuable natural assets associated with your land.

During the workshop we will cover:

- What a septic system is and how it works
- Regulations
- Design and installation
- Appropriate use of your septic system
- Maintaining your septic system
- Troubleshooting

On Tuesday, November 20, at 5:30 PM, come and learn what you can do to properly manage and maintain your septic system. Attend the Septic Sense workshop hosted and presented by Stettler County, with technical expertise provided by the Alberta Onsite Wastewater Management Association (AOWMA) and program coordination by Land Stewardship Centre (LSC). Please pre-register for the workshop by calling the County of Stettler No. 6 office at: 403-742-4441 X110. A light dinner will be served. There is no charge to attend this workshop. It will take place at the County Administration Building, 6602-44 Ave. Stettler.

For more information about or to register for this upcoming workshop please contact:

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Backgrounder

In early 2015, Land Stewardship Centre (LSC), in partnership with Alberta Onsite Wastewater Management Association (AOWMA) launched *Septic Sense: Solutions for Rural Living*, an onsite wastewater system education and outreach pilot program for landowners in Alberta. LSC and AOWMA have engaged technical experts and representatives from government, municipalities and industry to provide expertise and oversight to the development of the pilot program.

This multi-agency initiative is being rolled out as a one-year pilot project in order to implement, test and evaluate the feasibility of developing a full-fledged septic system operation and maintenance workshop program in Alberta. LSC and AOWMA will be working closely with rural municipalities to deliver these pilot workshops in communities across Alberta throughout January, February, March and April 2018.

For more information about the Septic Sense pilot program please contact:

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