



City of Los Angeles Comments on Proposed State Policy for Siting, Design, Operation, and Maintenance of OWTS

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Points of Concerns and suggestions

- 1. Phase-out Existing Cesspools***
- 2. Financial Support***
- 3. Multi-Family & Commercial***



1. Phase-out Existing Cesspools

- a) Consider the new cesspool phase-out provision of Tier 2 LAMP as a starting point***
- b) Commit to proactive and uniform cesspool phase out approach when the policy is reviewed in 5 years.***
 - a) Require upgrade or connect to sewer within 5yrs (High Risk OWTS) or within 10yrs (other OWTS).***
 - b) Provide Clear and dedicated financial incentive***



2. Funding

- ***SWRCB to take the lead in creating partnerships with NGOs to fund effective cesspool phase out programs, in low income communities, starting with those in sensitive or high risk areas.***
- ***Option 1: connect to sewer (\$15 to \$25k depending on distance to sewer main)***
- ***Option 2: upgrade to conventional OWTS (\$20k to \$30k)***
- ***Option 3: upgrade to Advanced Treatment OWTS (\$70k to \$100k)***



3. Multi-Family and Commercial OWTS



- ***Regulate multi-family and commercial OWTS in Tier 2 LAMPs, not in tier 1.***
- ***Ban new multi-family and commercial OWTS in known groundwater contaminated areas.***



Questions?

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