

This letter is to express my dismay over the recent draft policy being considered in regard to AB885 and the on site wastewater treatment systems (OWTS) throughout the state of California. As a resident of Sacramento County I feel left out in the process as a comment meeting was not held in our vicinity even though Sacramento County and the surrounding communities contain a major population center not only in numbers alone but in the number of OWTS Systems. We feel our voices have not been considered in this process.

Sacramento County has continued to test our wells for years to insure that the OWTS Systems in the area are not impacting our well water. As homeowners we also have a major stake in the upkeep of our septic and well systems as we depend on them more than many of our neighbors in higher density developments. The 2 1/2 acre requirement seems excessive and I feel needs to be lowered to better serve the existing homeowners throughout the state. I see no documentation that tells me 2 1/2 acres is a better number than 2 or less.

Please consider revising the acreage size so that those of us in rural settings but who enjoy not having huge properties can continue to afford to live on the properties we love.

Thanks for your consideration in this matter.

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