



Septage Study – Keeping you informed

What is the septage study?

We have hired Stantec Consulting:

- to review the way we dispose of septage in the city
- to develop a plan to manage septage for the next 20 years

What will the plan include?

The objectives of this plan are to:

- Identify present and future septage flows
- Ensure that we handle and treat septage in a way that does not harm the environment or our treatment processes
- Ensure that we can continue to fund our septage treatment

Why are you studying septage now?

We have to meet new Provincial licensing requirements for our wastewater treatment plants. At the same time, we want to continue to handle and treat septage.

For example, we can no longer treat septage at our West End Water Pollution Control Centre after July 1, 2007. We are building new treatment processes to reduce nutrients (nitrogen and phosphorus) in the treated wastewater. The new processes are sensitive, and cannot handle septage.

We have to work out how to handle septage in our other plants.

Can I participate in the study?

Yes. As part of the study we are looking at different ways of handling and treating septage. We will present these alternatives at a meeting in February 2007. We will invite all wastewater haulers to comment on the alternatives.

We will send you more information about the meeting as soon as possible.

Questions?

If you have any questions about the septage study, please contact Chris Carroll by email at ccarroll@winnipeg.ca, or by phone at 986-7435.