

The State of Washington



Proclamation

WHEREAS, proper septic system use and routine care are vital to protecting public health, preserving our highly valued groundwater, lakes, streams, and Puget Sound and avoiding costly repairs that can result from neglect; and

WHEREAS, nearly one million septic systems treat wastewater from homes and businesses, serving more than a third of Washington State's population; and

WHEREAS, Washington's on-site wastewater professionals use their expertise in the design, installation, maintenance and regulation of septic systems in our state; and

WHEREAS, the EPA SepticSmart program used by Washington State health agencies educates homeowners about the need for proper septic system use and routine maintenance and encourages them to do so; and

WHEREAS, residents and the environment of the state of Washington benefit from properly designed, installed, operated, and maintained septic systems;

NOW THEREFORE, I Jay Inslee, Governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim the week of September 21-25, 2015 as

SepticSmart Week

in Washington, and I urge all people in our state to join me in this special observance.

Signed this 24th day of July, 2015

Governor Jay Inslee

