

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 Environmental Protection Agency's SepticSmart initiative, used by Washington State health agencies, educates homeowners about the need for proper septic system use and encourages routine homeowner maintenance; and

WHEREAS, the people and 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 18 through 22, 2017, as

SepticSmart Week

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



Signed this 29th day of June, 2017

Handwritten signature of Jay Inslee in blue ink.

Governor Jay Inslee