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NOTICE TO LANDOWNERS PLANNING TO SELL PARCELS WITH EXISTING SUBSURFACE SEWAGE TREATMENT SYSTEMS

Royalton Township wishes to remind all landowners intending to sell parcels of land in the township with subsurface sewage treatment systems (SSTS) on them that a septic compliance inspection may be required before such property may be sold. The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) and Section 8.01.04 of the Royalton Township Subsurface Sewage Treatment Systems ordinance require the filing of an inspection report by a Minnesota-licensed septic inspector. Compliance inspections must be dated within three years for a system older than five years and within five years if the system is less than five years old. The inspection report must be completed on the MPCA-approved form that is available from licensed inspectors. Once the form is completed, the inspector is required to file a copy with Royalton Township.

There are certain limited exceptions to the compliance inspection requirement: 1) the land transfer does not require the filing of a Certificate of Real Estate Value as described in Minnesota Statutes 272.115, subd. 1; 2) the transfer is a tax forfeiture; 3) the sale or transfer completes a contract for deed or purchase agreement entered into prior to the effective date of this ordinance (March 1, 2015); or 4) the SSTS falls within the boundaries of the Shoreland District, in which case Pine County Planning, Zoning, and Solid Waste Department has jurisdiction and will receive the compliance report. Unless the township is informed in writing that the property is exempt by one of these conditions, the township will assume that an inspection report will be needed and will be on file with the township before sale closing.

For additional information on SSTS compliance inspections or other septic-related concerns, please contact Amy Thompson, Royalton's sewer administrator, at 320-980-0235.

Thank you for our cooperation.

Royalton Township Board of Supervisors

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