

Land and Water Boards of the Mackenzie Valley

GUIDELINE RELEASE

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Land and Water Boards of the Mackenzie Valley release Guidelines for Municipal Sludge Management for Passive Sewage Treatment Systems in the Northwest Territories

The Land and Water Boards of the Mackenzie Valley (Gwich'in, Sahtu, Wek'èezhìi, and Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Boards) – collectively the LWBs – are pleased to announce the release of the [Guidelines for Municipal Sludge Management for Passive Sewage Treatment Systems in the Northwest Territories](#).

The Guidelines were developed by a team of LWB staff and staff from the Government of the Northwest Territories, Departments of Environment and Climate Change and Municipal and Community Affairs. The purpose of the guidance document is to provide recommendations and outline expectations for municipal staff regarding the monitoring and management of sewage sludge in the Northwest Territories.

The LWBs distributed draft Guidelines for public review on August 15, 2022, and comments were received by September 25, 2022, via the LWBs' Online Review System (ORS). The ORS Item for Review for this document, including comments received, may be accessed [here](#). Other relevant materials related to this Policy update, including how the Guidelines development team addressed reviewer comments, may be found [here](#).

The Guidelines for Municipal Sludge Management for Passive Sewage Treatment Systems in the Northwest Territories was approved by the MVLWB on December 8, 2022 and may be accessed at <https://wlwb.ca/resources/policies-and-guidelines>. The LWBs wish to thank all parties who contributed to the development of the Guidelines.