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**REGULATIONS GOVERNING ON-SITE SEWAGE DISPOSAL AND ON-SITE WATER
SUPPLY SYSTEM EVALUATION AND MAINTENANCE IN MACOMB COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

PREPARING FOR AN EVALUATION

If you are selling a property that is served by an on-site sewage disposal and/or an on-site water supply system, you are required to have the system(s) evaluated by an evaluator registered under this Regulation or by the Macomb County Health Department. To provide prompt and efficient processing of the requests, the following information should be made available to the evaluator:

- A copy of the mortgage survey, if available, and/or legal description.
- An accurate site plan showing the location of the well(s), septic system(s), neighboring septic systems and wells, and other items (i.e. fuel oil tanks, etc.) is helpful.
- The septic tank and four corners of the septic field should be staked (this is especially necessary if there are no records regarding the septic system).
- It is required that the septic tank be pumped **with** the evaluator on site. Check with your evaluator to determine who is responsible for the scheduling of this. **Do not** have the tank pumped within 30 days prior to having an evaluation done. This will cause a delay of the evaluation and possibly the transfer.
- The well should be visible for evaluation. This may require buried well heads to be exposed. If a well log is not available, any information regarding the well depth, age, diameter, or documents of any service work is useful.
- Additional questions usually arise. Plan to be on the site during the evaluation to answer any questions and avoid possible delays.
- Have the evaluation done as soon as possible to avoid delays. Evaluations are valid for one year from the date of evaluation. Items such as water samples require additional time for analysis and results.

Additional information may be obtained from the Macomb County Health Department web site at www.macombgov.org/health or by contacting this Department at (586) 469-5236.