

County of Santa Cruz

Health Services Agency

Environmental Health

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SELLER TRANSFER OF RESPONSIBILITY TO BUYER FOR SEPTIC REPAIR

Property Information

Street Address: ______ City: _____ APN: _____

Requirements

Whether as part of a sale or of the recording of a contract of sale, all Sellers of real property (residential, commercial, industrial, or others) which is served by an onsite wastewater treatment system (OWTS) shall certify to the following, prior to the recording of any deed or other document transferring title:

1. Repairs to the OWTS have been completed under permit and inspected by the County.

However, before the sale of property, the Seller and Buyer of the property may mutually agree to transfer the responsibility for the above from the Seller to the Buyer. In the event the Buyer agrees to assume responsibility for repairing the OWTS, the Seller shall provide the inspection report to the Buyer, which indicates the repairs needed. The Buyer shall then submit the permit to repair no later than 30 calendar days after the close of escrow and complete the repair within 90 days of the close of escrow. Failure to comply may result in civil and administrative penalties as specified in the code.

Seller's Certification

By signing below, I the Seller, declare I will adhere to the requirements stated herein and state that the Buyer has agreed to assume the responsibility to compete the required OWTS repairs at the referenced property.

Seller's Printed Name	Seller's Signature	Date	Telephone No

Buyer's Certification

By signing below, I, the Buyer, declare I will adhere to the requirements stated herein and accept the responsibility to complete the required OWTS repairs no later than 90 days after the close of escrow.

Buyer's Printed Name

Buyer's Signature

Date

Telephone No

To be completed by the Buyer and the Seller

Seller or Seller's agent:

Mailing Address for the next 90 days

Physical Residence Address

Email Address

Buyer or Buyers' agent:

Mailing Address for the next 90 days

Physical Residence Address

Email Address

Please email complete forms to: ENVPointofSale@santacruzcounty.us

(For County Use Only)

The Santa Cruz County Environmental Health Division has reviewed the disclosure statement and confirms that the responsibility to complete the County required OWTS repairs:

_____ Rests with the Seller and must be completed prior to the transfer of title or

_____ Have been transferred to the Buyer and must be complete no later than 90 days of close of escrow.

This signed transfer of responsibility to repair form must be submitted to the County prior to the close of escrow and included in the real estate title transfer documentation.