

2022 SSTS Annual Report



Annual Report for: Watonwan County in Watonwan County

Please carefully read all instructions provided throughout the survey.

If your jurisdiction does not administer a septic system program, please send an email back to Freya Linnett at freya.linnett@state.mn.us indicating your community does not have an active septic system program.

If your jurisdiction does administer a septic system program, please submit the questionnaire no later than **February 1, 2023**.

Minn. R. 7082.0040 Subp. 5 **Reporting requirements for all local programs.**

Local units of government that administer SSTS programs must provide an annual report to the commissioner. The report must be submitted to the commissioner no later than February 1 for the previous calendar year.

If you have issues navigating the survey or you do not understand a question, please save your progress by clicking save at the bottom of the survey and contact Freya Linnett by phone at 651-757-2724 or email at freya.linnett@state.mn.us.

Please do your best to provide accurate information in the data fields. This data is used to quantify the great efforts and progress local governmental units are making throughout the state year after year!

Please ensure the following information can be used to contact the SSTS administrator within your department. The MPCA uses this survey to maintain an annually updated contact list of all local SSTS program administrators statewide.

Definitions:

SSTS Program Contact - an individual who can be contacted at Watonwan County for items such as: the completion of this survey, ordinance administration, permit issuance/review, and all other local SSTS related questions. **This individual is the primary SSTS Annual Report contact and should expect to receive the following year's survey unless MPCA staff are notified otherwise.**

SSTS Inspector - an individual authorized to conduct inspections on behalf of Watonwan County. If you have multiple inspectors, only provide the contact information for one of them. All authorized inspectors can be listed later in the survey.

Department Head - an individual in a supervisory position who oversees the activities of the SSTS program.

Official Contact Information:

SSTS Program Contact	David Haler
Department	Land Management
Phone (555-555-5555)	507-375-1225
Email	david.haler@co.watonwan.mn.us
Street Address	108 8th Street S
City	St. James
State	MN
Zip	56081
Fax	

SSTS Inspector (provide contact information for one inspector):

Name

Email

Department Head (if applicable):

Name David Haler

Email

Please let us know the status for each SSTS program within your county boundaries.

Are there other SSTS programs operating within your county boundaries?

Yes

No

These are the names of the SSTS programs the MPCA has previously identified within your county boundaries. **Please disregard the [No Reply], as they indicate blank data entry fields in our system.**

Does your jurisdiction use Alternative Local Standards (ALS) in your ordinance for existing systems?

Yes

No

Does your jurisdiction use ALS in your ordinance for New or Replacement SSTS that specifies using a minimum of 2' of vertical separation in allowable areas?

Yes

No

Does your jurisdiction use ALS for New or Replacement systems using 2006 rules?

Yes

No

Does your jurisdiction track the maintenance (pumping) of SSTS?

Yes

No

Does your jurisdiction require compliance inspections for property transfers?

Yes

No

Does your jurisdiction approve SSTS designs BEFORE issuance of a construction permit?

Yes

No

At what point during the review process are soil verifications most often performed?



Prior to issuing permit



During construction



After construction



Soil verifications do not occur in this jurisdiction

Number of Construction Permits Issued for Residential SSTS by System Type:

Type I - Trench/Rock:	0
Type I - Trench/EZ Flow:	0
Type I - Trench/Chambers:	2
Type I - Seepage or Pressure Beds:	1
Type I - Mound:	13
Type I - At Grade:	10
Type II - Privies, Holding Tanks, & Floodplain Areas:	1
Type III Systems:	0
Type IV Systems - Registered Treatment Products:	0
Type V Systems:	0

Residential Operating Permits Issued for:

Type II Holding Tanks:	0
Type IV Systems:	0
Type V Systems:	0

Number of Construction Permits Issued for Other Establishment SSTS by System Type:

Type I - Trench/Rock:	0
Type I - Trench/EZ Flow:	0
Type I - Trench/Chambers:	0
Type I - Seepage or Pressure Beds:	0
Type I - Mound:	1
Type I - At Grade:	0

Type II - Privies, Holding Tanks, & Floodplain Areas:	0
Type III systems:	0
Type IV systems - Registered Treatment Products:	0
Type V systems:	0

Other Establishment Operating Permits Issued for:

Type II Holding Tanks:	0
Type IV Systems:	0
Type V Systems	0

Number of Construction Permits Issued for Residential SSTS by Flow Volume:

New Systems

1-2,500 gal/day:	5
2,501-5,000 gal/day:	0
5,001-10,000 gal/day:	0

Replacement Systems

1-2,500 gal/day:	21
2,501-5,000 gal/day:	0
5,001-10,000 gal/day:	0

Number of Construction Permits Issued for Other Establishment SSTS by Flow Volume:

New Systems

1-2,500 gal/day:	0
2,501-5,000 gal/day:	0
5,001-10,000 gal/day:	0

Replacement Systems

1-2,500 gal/day:	1
2,501-5,000 gal/day:	0
5,001-10,000 gal/day:	0

Number of SSTS **Repair Permits** issued for:

*****IMPORTANT***** - this data point **does not** include replacement systems. LGUs who issue permits for minor/component repairs place figures here, if you do not issue permits for repairs, enter 0.

Residential SSTS:	1
Other establishment SSTS:	0

Numbers of SSTS in your jurisdiction for the following:

If you do not know how many total SSTS you have for each category, please do your best to provide an estimate. Zero (0) is not an appropriate response if the exact total is unknown. Please contact MPCA staff to discuss possible methods to obtain estimates. This is an important data point to quantify the SSTS program both statewide and locally.

Full-time dwellings with SSTS:	1239
Seasonal dwellings with SSTS:	34
Other establishments served by SSTS:	16

Cluster SSTS

Total number of Cluster SSTS:	3
Total number of structures served by Cluster SSTS:	25

Please provide answers to the following compliance questions:

***Note - do not include the % symbol in your responses.**

Estimated percentage of all systems in your jurisdiction:

Failing to protect groundwater (%)	20
Imminent threat to public health and safety (%)	18
Compliant SSTS (%)	62
Percentage Total (must equal 100%):	100

Number of **Existing System** compliance inspections conducted (Private & LGU):

44

Total number of noncompliant properties mitigated by:

Connecting to centralized sewer	0
Abandonment or removal of a dwelling	1

Please specify the certified licensed inspectors authorized to conduct work on behalf of Watonwan County. Each LGU is required to have at least one qualified inspector.

Use the SSTS Search Tool for certification numbers if needed.

Inspector #1:

Full Name David Haler

Certification
Number C9571

[Example: C12345](#)

Would you like to add another?



Yes



No

Inspector #2:

Full Name Kyla Schlomann

Certification
Number C539

[Example: C12345](#)

Would you like to add another?



Yes



No

Inspector #3:

Full Name

Certification
Number

[Example: C12345](#)

Would you like to add another?



Yes



No

2022 Tank Report

The MPCA uses this information for the administration of tank fees for licensed SSTS installers across the state. If there were new systems installed in Watonwan County last year, you must indicate the number of septic system/performance system tanks installed by each licensed installation business below. If there were not any systems installed by SSTS installers in Watonwan County last year, then select "No" at the bottom of this page.

Septic Tanks - include sewage and pump tanks. These are counted per tank installed.
Performance Tanks - include tanks from advanced treatment systems (Type IV). These are counted as one (1) tank per household system installed.

Do not include permitted systems that weren't yet installed. Tanks fees are only required for tanks actually installed.

To verify license numbers according to business names, use the MPCA's SSTS Search Tool.
*****DO NOT include the "L" in front of the license number." (Correct: 9999 Incorrect: L9999)*****

Note - we are no longer asking for verification on homeowner installations, just SSTS professionals.

******PLEASE READ THE INSTRUCTIONS ABOVE BEFORE MOVING ON TO THE NEXT PAGE******

License Number:

894

Number of Septic tanks installed:

12

Number of Performance systems:

0

SSTS Search Tool

License Number:

806

Number of Septic tanks installed:

3

Number of Performance systems:

0

SSTS Search Tool

License Number:

2377

Number of Septic tanks installed:

8

Number of Performance systems:

0

SSTS Search Tool

License Number:

72

Number of Septic tanks installed:

3

Number of Performance systems:

0

SSTS Search Tool

License Number:

551

Number of Septic tanks installed:

2

Number of Performance systems:

0

SSTS Search Tool

License Number:

290

Number of Septic tanks installed:

5

Number of Performance systems:

0

Do you have any more contractors to enter?



Yes



No

SSTS Search Tool

License Number:

4051

Number of Septic tanks installed:

3

Number of Performance systems:

0

SSTS Search Tool

License Number:

Number of Septic tanks installed:

Number of Performance systems:

SSTS Search Tool

License Number:

Number of Septic tanks installed:

Number of Performance systems:

SSTS Search Tool

License Number:

Number of Septic tanks installed:

Number of Performance systems:

SSTS Search Tool

License Number:

Number of Septic tanks installed:

Number of Performance systems:

Do you have any more contractors to enter?

Yes

No

SSTS Search Tool

License Number:

Number of Septic tanks installed:

Number of Performance systems:

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Submission Confirmation

You have reached the end of the 2022 SSTS Annual Report.

Before clicking the “Submit” button, please print a copy of the report for your records using the “Print” button below.

Some web browsers will open a new tab or window, but you will need to go back to this page to submit your responses. Some web browsers also allow you to save an electronic copy using this option, but others may not. We apologize for this inconvenience.

Thank you for taking the time to help quantify the great efforts made by SSTS local programs throughout the state of Minnesota.

Please click “Submit” to finalize the 2022 SSTS Annual Report.