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## **RESOLUTION**

Lake County Board of Health

June 15, 2010

### **Standard Variance**

### **Setback of Wastewater Effluent Lines from Wells**

A resolution to allow for a standard variance to Lake County Wastewater Treatment System Regulations that may be administered by staff of the Environmental Health Department when specific criteria are met.

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**WHEREAS**, the Lake County Board of Health has authority under A.R.M. 17.36.922 Local Variances and Lake County Wastewater Treatment System Regulations to grant variances to the state minimum standards for on-site wastewater treatment systems, and

**WHEREAS**, there are certain re-occurring circumstances under which the Lake County Board of Health would grant a variance without the usual hearing being necessary or desirable;

#### **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**

That, effective this date, the Lake County Environmental Health Department may issue permits for wastewater treatment systems that meet the following criteria:

1. No feasible or reasonable alternative exists to install a wastewater treatment system that can comply with Lake County regulations.
2. A wastewater treatment system effluent line may be located less than the required 50' from a well, but not less than 10' from the well, provided the effluent line is fully and completely sleeved to be water-tight by a minimum Schedule 40 PVC or equivalent piping with glued joints to a distance that is a minimum of 50' from the well head.
3. In rocky settings, the wastewater effluent line must be bedded in 6" of sand.
4. It must be determined by the department that the reduced separation distance will not adversely impact structures, adjoining properties, public health considerations, or the water or wastewater treatment system installation and maintenance.
5. The Lake County Environmental Health Department reserves the right to require any system requiring a variance be heard before the Lake County Board of Health if it deems the site conditions or other circumstances warrant a full Board review.

*Chuck Whitson* 6-24-10  
Chairman Date  
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