

Systems that have pumps and alarms need to be tested periodically, so that if and when a problem occurs, you can be alerted before it comes at you either inside the house or outside.

Advanced filters such as sand beds and textile filtration require continual monitoring to ensure that your wastewater is being filtered and treated effectively before it is distributed to the drain fields. These filters are key components in processing your wastewater so that it is clean enough to return to the environment.

Systems that have more than one leach line should be monitored to make sure that all lines are being used equally, or as designed. This ensures that one line is not being overused while others are being under-used or not being used at all. Overuse can cause a leach line to prematurely decrease in efficiency and become completely unusable, therefore reducing the system's overall ability to function properly.

As with any appliance, no guarantees can be made to assure that your system will function perfectly, even with perpetual maintenance.

How well a system functions is based on many factors, not limited to how it is being used or impacted by the occupants of the home. By hiring a qualified service provider, such as El Dorado Septic Service, Inc., you entrust your septic system to professionals, to help preserve it and extend its life span. A little time and maintenance now can save a lot of time and expense in the long run.

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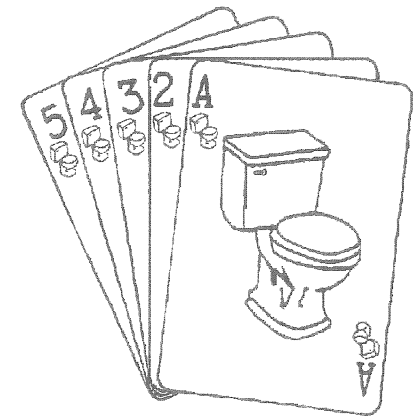
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*A Straight Flush  
Beats A Full House*

# Perpetual Maintenance

## Perpetual Maintenance for my Septic System?

For most people, because a septic system is underground, it is typically “out of sight, out of mind”, until there’s a problem. By that time, it’s not generally a minor problem. It gets costly. So, how do you prevent those problems? By monitoring and maintaining your system on a regular basis. Now, who wants to do it? Who really wants to investigate what happens after you flush the toilet?



At El Dorado Septic Service, Inc., **WE DO!!!** Let us help you keep your peace of mind by keeping your system functioning properly.

Each septic system functions uniquely as it adapts to its users, but no system can be ignored. All septic systems require some kind of maintenance. Simple systems may require only occasional monitoring with periodic removal of solids from the septic tank. More complicated systems require more maintenance. Systems with pumps have mechanical components that wear out eventually and need to be replaced. Simple and advanced filtration components require even more monitoring, and potentially more maintenance, to make sure that the system continues to function as designed, and also to the best of its ability for the usage it receives.

## Our Background:

El Dorado Septic Service, Inc. has been servicing Tuolumne County since 1985, under current ownership since 1998. We are a licensed contractor, and are therefore capable of performing all phases of installation, maintenance and repairs on septic systems. Our technicians receive professional training to be able to service many different septic systems. We are diverse, and each technician has his/her own specialty.

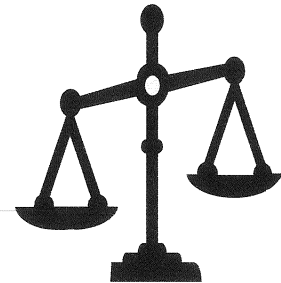
## What we do:

We take the dirty work out of your hands. Maintenance and monitoring is based on the specific design and needs of each individual homeowner and system. Traditionally, recommendations are given for when the septic tank should be pumped based on the capacity of the tank, number and types of appliances flowing to the system and the number of occupants in the home. By monitoring the consistency of the effluent in the tank, we are able to provide a more appropriate analysis of when the tank should be cleaned out. This ensures that the septic tank is not pumped out of mere convenience, and also provides for the tank to be pumped out before solid materials have built up so much that they overflow into the drain fields. Not only do we examine the septic tank, but EDSSI will evaluate every component of your system from the foundation of the home to the inspection risers at the end of the leach lines. Components may include downspouts, baffles, multiple tanks, pumps, floats, control and alarm panels, filters (simple or advanced), transport lines and drain lines.



Keep in mind that when components fail, it can become very messy, either inside the house, atop the ground or in the underground water table. All of these occurrences are serious health concerns. Over time, components of septic systems may wear out, erode, and become impacted by natural conditions as well as human nature, caused by use, abuse or neglect. Periodic maintenance and monitoring can identify small problems before they become a major expenditure. Notification is given to the homeowner of any deficiencies, and a recommendation and estimate of costs will be given for repairs.

Remember the old adage “An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure”? It could have been written about the cost of maintaining your septic system versus replacing it. Major repairs can be very costly.



As added protection for your leach field, the installation of a simple filter inside the septic tank, to prevent suspended solids from exiting the tank can help preserve your drain field, and extend its life span. The catch is that the filter needs to be cleaned on a regular basis, so that it does not become clogged. Now, who wants to stick their hand inside the septic tank to clean the filter?