



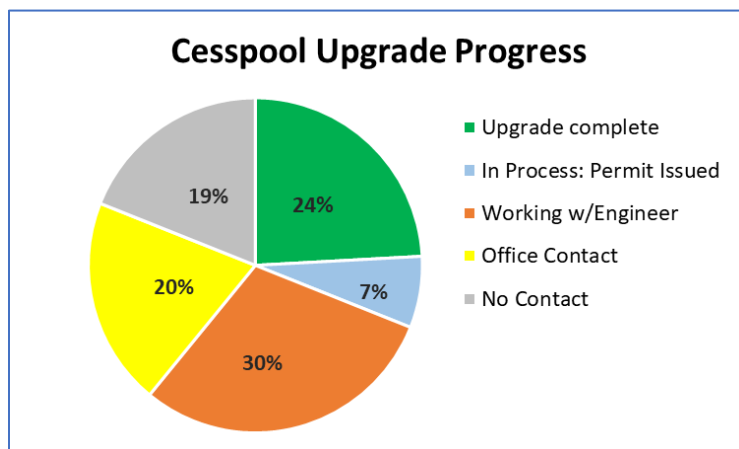
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**HEALTH & CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT**  
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Memo to: Truro Board of Health  
From: Emily Beebe, Truro Health & Conservation Agent  
Date: January 12, 2023  
Re: **Water Resources Update: January 2023**

**Regarding cesspool upgrades to Title 5**

To date, 31% of the properties with cesspools have either completed the upgrade process or have permits issued to do so. 30% are working with engineers and 20% have contacted our office with questions but may not yet be under contract with an Engineer/designer.

Our current challenge is making direct contact with the 33 homeowners who we have not yet heard from, so that we may assist them in their efforts to comply.



**Regarding Administrative Consent Orders (ACO's)** Pending revisions to the Board of Health regulations would incorporate the use of ACO's to form legal agreements between the Board of Health and property owners regarding the specific circumstances about their septic upgrade process.

ACO's will include a compliance schedule that is specific and unique to each property.

**Regarding the Massachusetts Estuaries project (MEP)**

As many of you learned last month, Brian Howes, the director of the SMAST Program, passed away suddenly. He was an inspirational figure in the work that we do, and a champion of science-backed public policy. He was our contact at the MEP, and Scott Horsley has agreed to pursue further contact with the leadership at MEP about our nitrogen targets.

**Regarding stormwater management-** please see proposed draft stormwater regulations-attached.

**Regarding Private well water quality:**

An annual water testing summary has been compiled to demonstrate the water quality results, and just the sheer increase in water quality analysis that the Town has received because of changes made to BoH regulations.

**Regarding MA DOT:**

The Truro DPW director has consistently appealed to the DOT in writing each month to request route 6 re-paving information. This month his email precipitated an email from the CCNS to the DOT expressing similar concerns and questions .

**Water Resources discussion with Provincetown:**

As of this date, the meeting schedule is pending return of staff from vacation.