

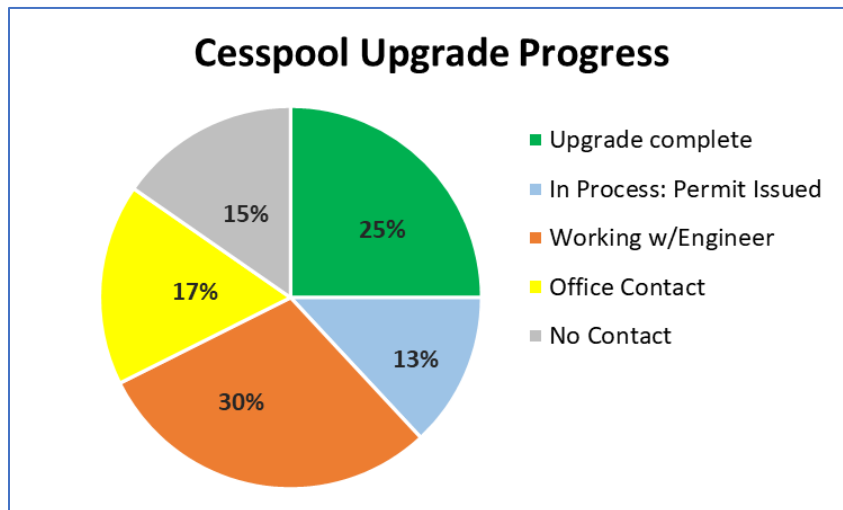


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Memo to: Truro Board of Health
From: Emily Beebe, Truro Health & Conservation Agent
Date: May 16, 2023
Re: **Water Resources Update May 2023**

Regarding cesspool upgrades to Title 5

To date, 38% of the properties with cesspools have either completed the upgrade process or have permits issued to do so. 30% are working with engineers and 17% have contacted our office with questions but may not yet be under contract with an Engineer/designer.



Regarding Administrative Consent Orders (ACOs) Pending revisions to the Board of Health regulations incorporate the use of ACOs to form legal agreements between the Board of Health and property owners regarding the specific circumstances about their septic upgrade process. ACOs will include a compliance schedule that is specific and unique to each property. **PUBLIC HEARING ON MAY 16.** These regulations will also be discussed with the Select Board at their meeting of May 23, 2023 and available for their comments.

Regarding stormwater management- Stormwater and Sediment control regulations will be advanced to the Fall Town Meeting. At the May 23 meeting of the Select Board, the schedule and process for review of the Stormwater Management bylaw will be discussed. Public informational sessions, and discussions with other Boards and Committees will follow.

Regarding Private well water quality:

We thank the public for their support of this project at the 2023 Annual Town Meeting. The hydrogeologic evaluation of a portion of Pond Village will include installation of monitoring wells to determine the direction of groundwater flow, and we will take routine samples to determine the water quality of the project area. Project funding will be available at the beginning of the next fiscal year, July 1, 2023.

Regarding Wastewater Management Planning:

Our next meeting with GHD will be on May 25.

Regarding PFAS:

Last week, the Provincetown Select Board approved the municipal water supply connection for Stones Throw Condominiums. The DEP source investigation relative to the PFA's at Stones Throw is underway, as they explore the history of properties within a 500 foot radius of the property. We will provide an update on the DEP's findings as they become available.

The Barnstable County Water Quality Laboratory is in the process of commissioning new equipment to test for PFAS. The goal is to be certified to test drinking water by EPA method 537.1 by the fall.

Water Resources discussion with Provincetown:

The Provincetown staff/consultant team met on 4/18 to discuss details on the water storage tank design and location. The scope of work for a joint water shed management plan was discussed, and the safe yield based on updating modeling was discussed as a part of the scope.