

**TOWN OF GRAVENHURST**  
**On-Site Re-Inspection Program Process**

The re-inspection program implemented in the year 2000 has been conducted with the intention of targeting private sewage systems that may be causing pollution, or pollution caused through the absence of a sewage system.

The inspection process involves:

- \* The selection of properties with the aid of the Town's GIS program and the accumulation of information pertaining to previous sewage system records.
- \* The re-inspection student inspector conducts the initial visual site inspection.
- \* A **visual** inspection of the selected properties with respect to:
  - (1) Type of building
  - (2) Type of tank
  - (3) Type of system
  - (4) Evidence of sewage effluent visible and/or odour
  - (5) Evidence of erosion of septic bed side slopes
  - (6) Whether the groundwater flows toward the system
  - (7) If the sewage system is properly located on the property
  - (8) If the septic tank is properly located on the property
  - (9) Whether the sewage system bed has trees/vegetation growth
  - (10) Whether the system is located more than 15 metres (50 Feet) from the water
  - (11) Whether there is a privy located on the property
  - (12) Whether the property is water access
  - (13) Whether the sewage system serves more than one building
  - (14) If the sewage system uses a pump chamber
  - (15) Whether a sewage system approval exists
- \* A letter is sent to the owner of the property if any deficiencies are noted and a follow up is conducted in the form of a phone call, another letter or further inspections, if required.
- \* The Town's Septic/Building Inspector conducts the follow-up abatement.