
Maura J. Rossman, M.D., Health Officer

July 1, 2019

Michael and Megan Newman
5002 Ten Oaks Road
Clarksville, MD 21029

RE: Waiver Denial

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Newman,

This letter is being issued in response to your waiver request dated May 29, 2019. The Health Department has requested additional information about the location of your on-site sewage disposal system. You have not provided the additional details of your on-site sewage disposal system on a plan drawn to scale. Therefore, your waiver request has been denied.

Any questions regarding this decision may be directed to the Well and Septic Program of the Howard County Health Department.

Respectfully,



Michael J. Davis
Assistant Director
Bureau of Environmental Health

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DATE: June 13, 2019

TO: Michael and Megan Newman
5002 Ten Oaks Road
Clarksville, MD 21029

RE: Waiver request status

Dear Mr and Mrs Newman,

The waiver request for locating a pool near your residence has not been approved, but it has not been rejected. There are still issues regarding the Plot Plan. Among the issues cited were inadequate information about septic system components and vague description of pool dimensions and orientation.

An inspection was conducted to observe the visible conditions for the well and for the septic system. The well was observed and cited to be "in good condition". The inspector also noted that there is no evidence of a septic system failure at this time. Documentation of the inspection, a Site Inspection Sheet, is attached.

One primary issue is that little is known about the septic system on your property, and the proposed location for the pool is in a location where there may be a septic tank or other septic system components. There is a 4-inch cleanout about 62 feet from the back-left corner of your residence. Our inspector was able to open this cleanout, though could not observe anything but darkness inside. A 4-inch cleanout is typically used in a Sewer House Connection (SHC), or as an access to a distribution box or to a dry well (a void for wastewater disposal). The location likely is not a septic tank.

The septic system components must be exposed so that they are recognizable. When exposed, call the Well and Septic Program (410)313-1771 for a confirmation inspection.

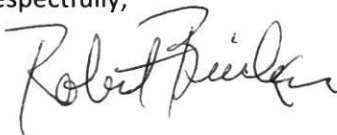
For the Plot Plan to be acceptable, it must be made as near to scale as possible. In essence, when you place an engineering scale on a line on the plan that has a labeled distance, the value represented by the markings on the scale should be the same, or very nearly the same, value as in the label.

When the plan is made to scale, place the well on it accurately and reference distances to the residence foundation. Similarly, the septic system components shall also be placed accurately on the plan with the septic tank location referenced to the residence foundation. The other septic system components are referenced to the septic tank and may be referenced to the approximate locations of nearby property lines.

Finally, the proposed location for the pool is placed on the plan. The pool dimensions are to be represented accurately, and distances to the residence foundation and to nearby septic system components are noted. It may be helpful to include a photo of the pool that you want to install. Is there a deck around the pool? If so, include a graphic representation and dimensions on the plan.

If you have any questions regarding these issues, you may contact me by email (rbricker@howardcountymd.gov), or by calling me at (410)313-2691.

Respectfully,



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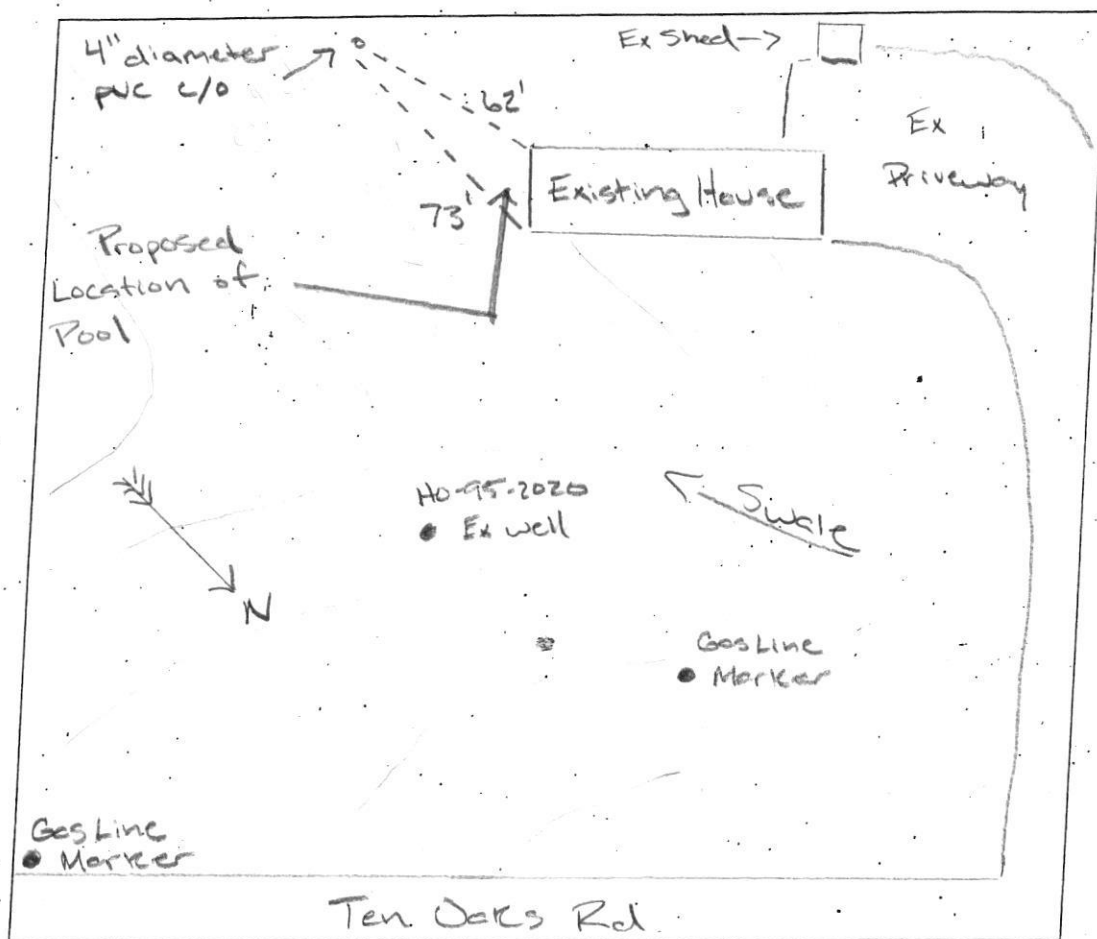
Robert Bricker, REHS/RS, L.E.H.S.
Environmental Sanitarian II
Howard County Health Department
Bureau of Environmental Health
8930 Stanford Blvd.
Columbia, MD 21045

Copy: Jeff Williams, Supervisor, Well and Septic Program

SITE INSPECTION SHEET

OWNER: Michael & Megan Newman PHONE #: 607-435-1618
ADDRESS: 5002 Ten Oaks CONTRACTOR: N/A
Clarksville, MD 21029 WELL TAG #: HO-95-2020
SUBDIVISION: _____ LOT: _____ COUNTY #: Howard
PROPOSAL: Asking for a waiver to the perc cert requirement for a pool addition.

LOCATION DIAGRAM



COMMENTS: Septic system does not appear to be failing to the surface. Could open c/o. but could not see anything inside. Well appears to be in good condition. Secure Zip cap and well tag # are on the well. Well has been GPS located.

DATE: 6/10/2019 INSPECTOR: RSF

Freemon, Robert

From: Robert Freemon [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, June 12, 2019 11:45 AM
To: Freemon, Robert
Subject: Pics

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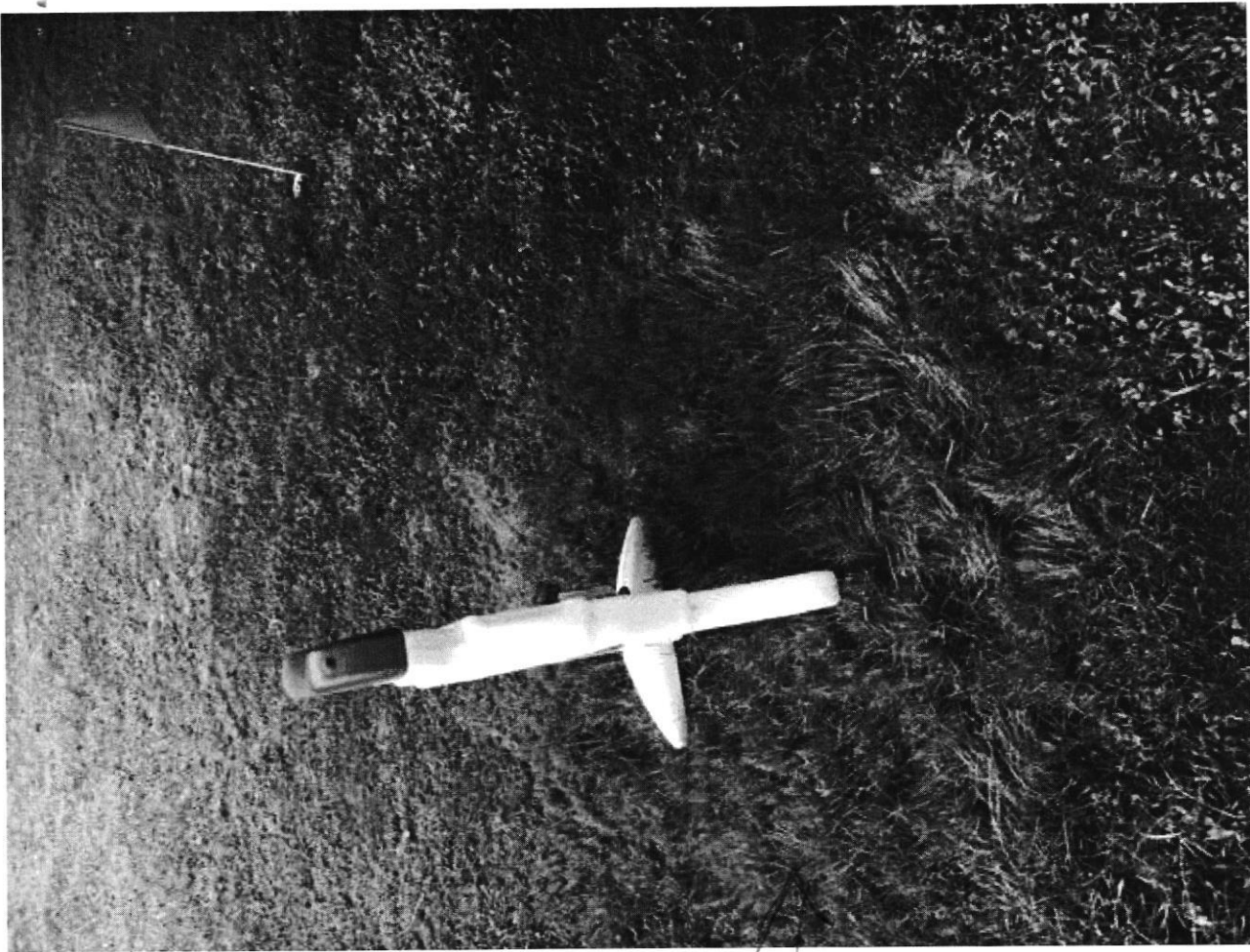
Septic Tank c/o

Proposed Pool Area

(Pic shows inflatable kids pool)



Existing well in good condition
HO-95-2020



Sent from my iPhone

Slight depression
near tank c/o

proposed location of the pool at the southwest location of the home unfortunately, the document is not to scale in the PDF. As you can see on the document, the well is approximately 271 ft and over 90ft from the septic tank from the proposal location. I hope this explanation is adequate for granting a waiver and if any additional information is necessary we are happy to provide it.

I can be reached at (202) 497-7269.

I hope this email finds you well.

Michael Newman