

**Page, Shepsura**

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**From:** FYOCK SEPTIC <fyocksepticsevice@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 7, 2024 10:58 AM  
**To:** Page, Shepsura  
**Subject:** Re: 5710 Green Valley Place- Potential Failing Septic System

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Hello,

We have not pumped out this residence recently. We were last out there in December of last year. 12/08/2023. The pump out that occurred on this date had gone fine. There were no issues at the time of service. If the owner of this residence would like for us to come out and do an inspection of the system to make sure that it is working properly and up to date with county codes and regulations, we would be happy to do so.

Thank you,  
April  
FYOCK SEPTIC SERVICE, INC  
P O BOX 89  
GLENELG, MD 21737

On Wed, Nov 6, 2024 at 1:40 PM Page, Shepsura <[spage@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:spage@howardcountymd.gov)> wrote:

Good afternoon,

The Health Department understands that Fyock Septic Service has previously pumped the septic tank at 5710 Green Valley Place. There is reason to believe their septic system is failing. Can you comment on the condition of the septic tank? Is effluent entering the tank from the drain field when pumping?

Shepsura Page, EH Specialist

Well & Septic Program

Howard County Health Department

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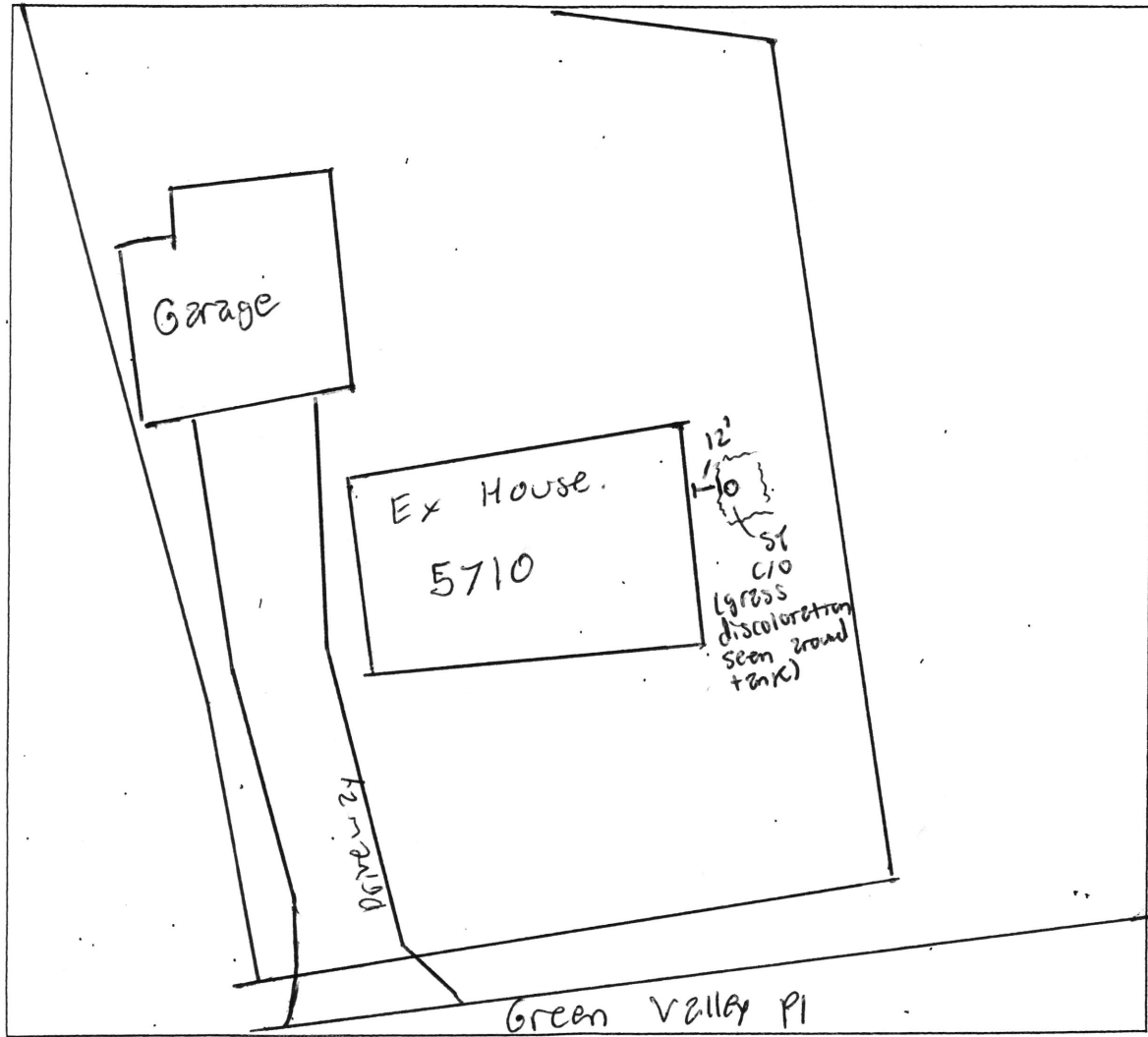


11/6/2024 -  
Septic tank w/ sludge  
seen inside.  
2 photos on top  
show discoloration  
of grass around  
septic tank.

SITE INSPECTION SHEET

OWNER: Lina & Lance Constien PHONE #: 202-290-0185  
ADDRESS: 5710 Green Valley Pl CONTRACTOR: Fyock Septic Service  
Elkridge MD 21075 WELL TAG #: Public water  
SUBDIVISION: 2001 LOT: 8 COUNTY #: 13  
PROPOSAL: Verify condition of septic system for  
Bay Restoration Fund to connect to public sewer.

LOCATION DIAGRAM



COMMENTS: 11/6/2024 - Homeowner not onsite, unable to identify ST. Inspectors left site.  
Homeowner contacted MB, stated will be @ site soon, inspectors came back to site. Met  
w/ Lina & Lance Constien, identified ST, unable to identify drainfield. ST has sludge inside,  
nothing unusual inside tank. grass very green on top of ST & dead around 20% of ST.  
(See attached images). ST could possibly be ventless SP/MB  
DATE: 11/6/2024 INSPECTOR: S. Puse / M. Burris

## Williams, Jeffrey

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**From:** Lance Constien <upperlance@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, October 25, 2024 3:09 PM  
**To:** Williams, Jeffrey  
**Cc:** Lina Constien  
**Subject:** Re: Fyock septic service history

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Hi Mr. Williams - Lina and I normally both work from home. I'll be working at an office in Virginia next Tuesday, but Lina will be here every day. We're ready for an inspection any time.

Lance and Lina Constien  
202-290-0185

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**From:** Williams, Jeffrey <jewilliams@howardcountymd.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, October 25, 2024 2:41 PM  
**To:** Lance Constien <upperlance@hotmail.com>  
**Subject:** RE: Fyock septic service history

Thanks. The fyock reports don't give much helpful info about the condition of the system, but we can schedule a site visit to see if we can determine anything that might be considered a failing condition. Do you have availability next week? We have inspectors that go out in the field every day

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**From:** Lance Constien <upperlance@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 24, 2024 12:06 PM  
**To:** Williams, Jeffrey <jewilliams@howardcountymd.gov>  
**Subject:** Fyock septic service history

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Hi Mr. Williams - You may be correct that our septic issue has to do with the lines running from the toilets to the septic tank. But the house was built in 1964 and the septic system very likely is nearing its end of life.

I found an email from 2014 when we first purchased this property at 5710 Green Valley Pl. The previous owners supplied the following info in that email:

- (1) When we bought the home, the septic system was cleaned and certified (May 20, 2008). At that time the Fyock Septic Service, Inc. told us that we had to clean every two (2) years (since only 2 people lived in home).
- (2) The septic system was cleaned again on May 27, 2010 -- all was fine
- (3) The septic system was cleaned last on September 28, 2012 -- all was fine

It is due again this September 2014.

\*\*If you need additional information, our septic system has always been cleaned and certified by Fyock Septic Service (Don Martin), Address: P.O. Box 89, Glenelg, MD 21737 - Phone #: 410-988-9270

We have had the septic tank cleaned just about every two years starting in 2014. I am attaching records of the septic tank cleanings provided by Fyock. The told me that they don't have records going back further than 2010.

Please let me know what else we can do going forward. Thanks!

Land and Lina Constien

## Williams, Jeffrey

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**From:** Lance Constien <upperlance@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 6, 2022 12:25 PM  
**To:** Williams, Jeffrey  
**Subject:** Re: Seeking home septic evaluation

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Hi Mr. Williams - We are not noticing any deficiency with our septic system at the moment. Intermittently in the past, we would have one or both of our toilets stop functioning properly. After pulling the handle, the water and feces would not flush and would rise dangerously close to the rim of the toilet bowl. We use packets of Septic Defense (Zep product) to help keep this issue under control and have not noticed anything the past month.

Lance

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**From:** Williams, Jeffrey <jewilliams@howardcountymd.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 6, 2022 8:36 AM  
**To:** Lance Constien <upperlance@hotmail.com>  
**Subject:** RE: Seeking home septic evaluation

Hello. Yes, the grant we administer requires Health Dept verification of a failing condition in order to utilize it for a public connection. Our inspection process is just a visual inspection of accessible components in the yard. Typically this starts with a condition known to the homeowner of their system not functioning properly. Is there something going on with your system causing concern?

**From:** Lance Constien <upperlance@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 5, 2022 3:18 PM  
**To:** jewilliamsjewilliams@howardcountymd.gov; Williams, Jeffrey <jewilliams@howardcountymd.gov>  
**Subject:** Seeking home septic evaluation

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Hi Mr. Williams - Our 1964 rancher at 5710 Green Valley Pl., Elkridge, MD, still is on a septic system. A neighbor (Cathy Riddle at 7065 Montgomery Road) recently worked with the county to remove the septic on that property and now a closer neighbor indicates that he also is inquiring to replace the septic there. We understand that it's possible that we can get a grant from the Bay Restoration Fund, but we first need an inspection from your department to determine if our septic system is failing.

Could we please arrange for an inspection of our system?  
My wife and I usually both work from home, so it's easy to find us at home.  
I can be reached by email - [upperlance@hotmail.com](mailto:upperlance@hotmail.com) - or by cell phone 202-290-0185.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.  
Lance Constien

## Williams, Jeffrey

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**From:** Williams, Jeffrey  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 8, 2024 3:27 PM  
**To:** Lance Constien; Hoover, Matthew  
**Cc:** Lina Constien; Amy Constien  
**Subject:** RE: Toilets backing up too often

Hello. Do you happen to have documentation from the Fyock pump out? For the Bay Restoration Fund grant, the initial qualification is the Health Dept has to verify a failing condition with the existing system. If the toilets are backing up, but the septic tank seems functional, the problem might be with the sewer line between the house and tank. If that is the only problem with the system, we typically do not qualify the grant because we would allow a minor septic permit to replace the line. However, if you have the original system from 1964, it might be at the end of its life anyway. In any case, we typically need something more to hang our hat on than just slow toilets.

If you can email me the document from Fyock, I can look at that. If not, we can go right to scheduling a site visit to see if we can observe anything. We just do a visual inspection, so it sometimes is hard to see a problem, but we can try. Thanks

Jeff Williams  
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Bureau of Environmental Health  
Howard County Health Dept.  
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**From:** Lance Constien <upperlance@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 3, 2024 9:29 AM  
**To:** Williams, Jeffrey <jewilliams@howardcountymd.gov>; Hoover, Matthew <mhoover@howardcountymd.gov>  
**Cc:** Lina Constien <lina\_ameen5773@yahoo.com>; Amy Constien <hampotato22@gmail.com>  
**Subject:** Toilets backing up too often

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Hi Mr. Williams - We are having increasing issues where our two toilets do not want to flush property in our 1964 rancher at 5710 Green Valley Pl., Elkridge, which is still is on a septic system.

I have periodically dumped contents from a Zep Septic Defense package into the toilets on an alternating basis the past couple years with enough success that we eventually could keep flushing. In the past couple days, however, we are seeing issues in both toilets emptying our deposits.

We paid \$290 on Dec. 8, 2023 to Fyock Septic Service Inc. to empty 1,000 gallons from our septic tank, so we don't think this is the issue.

Our two neighbors to the north of our property on the same side of the street (Cathy Riddle at 7065 Montgomery Road and Donna Jean Danieli at 5714 Green Valley Pl.) worked with the county in the past three years to remove septic tanks on those properties.

We understand that it's possible that we can get a grant from the Bay Restoration Fund, but we first need an inspection from your department to determine if our septic system is failing.

Could we please arrange for an inspection of our system?

My wife and I usually both work from home, so it's easy to find us at home. I can be reached by email - [upperlance@hotmail.com](mailto:upperlance@hotmail.com) - or by cell phone 202-290-0185.

Thank you for your attention!

Lance Constien

**HOWARD COUNTY METROPOLITAN COMMISSION**

Record Posted	W	S
H. C. Book		
50' Sheet No.	<b>61 W p 1</b>	

**INSTALLATION OF SEWER CONNECTION**

RECORD OF **3805-1080**

Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Installed by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tap Insp. by \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Street <b>Greenvalley</b> Pl. <b>5110</b>	House No.	Lot No. <b>8</b>	Block No.	Subdivision	Permit No.
Type of Property <b>single family residence</b>	District	Town or Vicinity <b>Elbridge</b>	Plumber	Application Filled for	

**DATA CONCERNING INSTALLATION**

First - Second	On	Double with Lot	DATE CONSTRUCTED
Single			Started: _____ Completed: _____

Depth of sewer invert at property line \_\_\_\_\_ Diameter and kind of pipe used \_\_\_\_\_  
 Length of connection \_\_\_\_\_

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HOWARD COUNTY METROPOLITAN COMMISSION

5053 1058 A

Date 10-1-64, 19\_\_

Meter Setting	Inside	
	Outside	✓

RECORD OF

INSTALLATION OF WATER CONNECTION

Installed by Morris

Applicant Donna Friedrich Plumber  
Garmak Brothers Builders W Keatts

Application Filled For 3/4" diam 5/8" meter

Plumbing Permit No. \_\_\_\_\_

DATA CONCERNING INSTALLATION

Single ✓ On \_\_\_\_\_ Double with Lot \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Tap Installation 10-9-64

Diameter and Kind of Pipe 3/4" N-Corrupt

Length of Connection 34'-11"

Size of Corp. Cock 3/4"

Meter size, Make and No. 57112100  
17202100

Date of Meter Setting 10-9-64

Brief description of Meter Location Y-RT

RIGHT OF KEET COR

COMPLETION OF OFFICE RECORDS

Meter Card Record \_\_\_\_\_

Meter Sheet and Completion Record \_\_\_\_\_

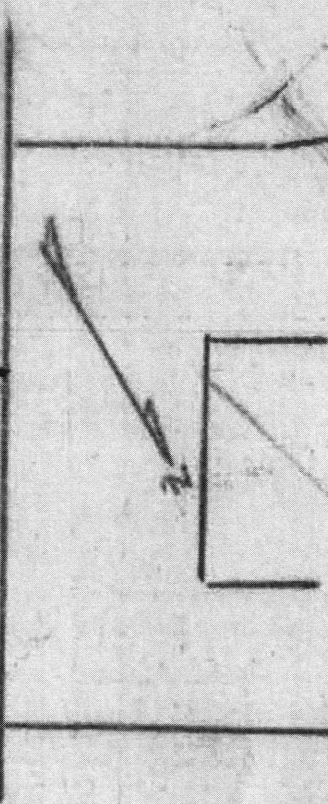
Assessment Record \_\_\_\_\_ No. 251

Started: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE CONSTRUCTED

Completed: \_\_\_\_\_

SKETCH



6" Water  
Green Valley Road.

(See Other Side for Sewer Connection Data)