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## DIRECTOR'S JOURNAL ENTRY APPROVAL OF SOIL SCIENTISTS LISTED ON THE INDIANA REGISTRY OF SOIL SCIENTISTS TO CONDUCT SOIL EVALUATIONS

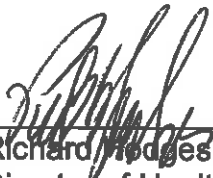
Ohio Administrative Code 3701-29-07 (A) describes the qualifications necessary for soil evaluators to conduct soil evaluations in Ohio for the siting and design of sewage treatment systems. Sewage treatment system designs rely extensively on the information contained in a soil evaluation as specified in OAC 3701-29-07 paragraphs (C), (D) and (E) to determine designs that are appropriate for a site. Paragraph (A)(3) of rule 3701-29-07 in the Ohio Administrative Code authorizes the Director of Health to approve soil professionals registered by a state or national organization with equivalent minimum qualifications and/or demonstration of competency for soil evaluation to conduct soil evaluations for sewage treatment systems in Ohio.

The Indiana Registry of Soil Scientists (IRSS) is a program that establishes ethical standards and education, examination, and work experience criteria for Indiana Registered Soil Scientists. Its purpose is to help protect the health and welfare of the people of Indiana and to protect its soil and water resources. Consulting soil scientists can conduct soil and landscape evaluations that have environmental implications.

Upon review of the registration requirements of the IRSS, it has been determined that the IRSS requirements are equivalent to the minimum qualifications met by a professional soil scientist certified by the Soil Science Society of America (SSSA).


Soil scientists who demonstrate active status as an Indiana Registered Soil Scientist are hereby approved to conduct soil evaluations for the siting and design of sewage treatment systems in Ohio.

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