Septic Sam here back with information and advice about your septic system we sure are having a lot of discussions about our septic systems this column is not about politics or opinions I try to be factual in my advice and am often dismayed with what I see and hear in our community. The recent survey indicated 87% satisfaction with our community but if you follow the social media you sure get a different impression I'm kinda simple minded I think what we are trying to do is to be sure our septic systems are designed built and maintained correctly for our lakes our neighbors and to avoid as long as we can the major costs and disruptions of a centralized system. I don't understand why anyone would be against that. I've always thought it was always good to spend a little maintenance money to avoid future major costs. Isn't that why we change the oil in our cars but that's just me.

My goal in writing this column is to do just that...have septic systems functioning so effectively that our lakes are clean our neighbors happy and a centralized system is a long way off, if ever.

Now to this month's advice before your sprinklers start running walk around the yard to see if you have any wet spots; if you do it could be an issue with your drain field. It's a good time also to look for leaks into the septic from faucets, commodes, extra long showers, etc. Not only is it bad to let clean water into your system but its wasting water which is rapidly becoming a critical resource.

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