

## **Septic Maintenance**

This is Dave from Vilas County Zoning & Planning with some tips for keeping your septic system running.

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Septic systems are a green technology that recharges local aquifers with treated wastewater. But they take some care to function properly and continue to protect the environment.

Fine particles from garbage disposals or coffee grounds, or items such as bleach, antibacterial soap, paint, or old medications can prevent your septic system from working properly. Don't send them down the drain.

Do one load of laundry each day instead of doing multiple loads on the same day. This allows the settling process in your tank to be more effective.

Finally, have your septic system serviced regularly. Vilas County has a maintenance program to make sure septic systems are serviced once every three years. Contact the Vilas County Zoning Department or go to [www.vilascountyzoning.com](http://www.vilascountyzoning.com) for more information on keeping your septic system healthy and green.