Responses to questions posed by Political Subdivisions Conference Committee on HB 1183 Representative Ertelt, Chair

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1. Education requirements for Environmental Health Practitioner (EHP)

A bachelors degree in a science field. The degree is approved by the National Environmental Health Science and Protection Accreditation Council (EHAC). Custer Health District Administrator Erin Ourada is an EHP.

An additional certification as a Registered Environmental Health Specialist/Registered Sanitarian (REHS/RS) credential must be pursued within five years. The National Environmental Health Association administers the comprehensive 250 question exam and continual credentialling is required. Southwestern District Health Unit Executive Officer Sherry Adams holds this certification.

Licenses are renewed every two years with CEUs required by both State and nationally. Sherry Adams is the state CEU officer. Sherry can be reached at sladams@nd.gov if you have more questions.

2. Code

- Century Code: North Dakota Century Code t43c43 (nd.gov)
- Administrative Rules for initial licensure:
 North Dakota Administrative Code Title 33 Article 30 Chapter 2 (nd.gov)
- Administrative Rules for the Board and general provisions:
 North Dakota Administrative Code Title 33 Article 30 Chapter 1 (nd.gov)

 33-30-03 through 33-30-06 all also deal with EHPs in regards to continuing education, code of ethics, etc.

3. Local Public Health Unit septic code adoption map

The most current map I have depicting the current code requirements is attached.

I believe I covered the items in questions, however, please let me know if I missed anything or if I can provide additional information. Thank you for your questions and the opportunity to get back to you with the responses.

Local Public Health Units

