



**Delaware General Health District Operation & Maintenance (O & M) Program
Implementation Schedule
As Approved By The Stakeholder Group On April 29, 2015**

Phase 1 (beginning in year 2015): All new, alteration and replacement sewage treatment system (STS) permits are entered into the O & M program (approximately 120-200 per year) and all existing National Pollutant Discharge Elimination Systems (NPDES) STS (4 total). A master list of known STS within the Health District will be made and maintained by the Health District. This list shall be available to any service provider who completes a request. This list will be updated as more information becomes available.

Phase 2: In addition to the above, all valid sewage nuisance complaints are entered into the O & M program (approximately 25-50 per year). And, all STS that currently provide O & M reports (approximately 300-500 per year) or other STS inspection reports. This includes any real estate transfer inspections of an STS that have been received.

Phase 3: In addition to the above, all known small flow STS (approximately 100-300 total).

Phase 4: In addition to the above, all add on/remodel inspections (approximately 150-200 per year).

***Phase 5:** In addition to the above, all known discharging STS starting in Southern most townships first and working North (from West to East) (approximately 8-10,000 total). Realizing this will take longer than a year for all to be entered; anticipate a minimum of 10 per week until all are complete.

***Phase 6:** In addition to the above, all other known STS starting in Southern most townships first and working North (from West to East) (approximately 8-10,000 total). Realizing this will take longer than a year for all to be entered; anticipate a minimum of 10 per week until all are complete.

Data entry will continue per the above schedule until all STS are in the O & M program.

**Starting in southern most townships first is generally based on population density and drinking water supply for Columbus.*

Each phase was originally based on a 1 year timeframe. However, some phases will undoubtedly take a longer or shorter time than others; therefore, the timeframes were removed at the stakeholders' request. It is anticipated that all existing STS will be entered into the O & M database by the year 2028, but this may change to due unforeseen circumstances.

Once all known existing STS are incorporated into the O & M program, installation permits will continue to be entered. Additionally, if any existing STS are found not to be in the program after phase 6, they shall be added as information becomes available.