

## **North Fork Payette River Watershed Coalition:**

## Wastewater Management Work Group

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Ideal Outcome (Goals)	Top Priorities (Objectives)	Action Items (Tasks)
Fixing PLRWSD pond liner leak	Repair of the pond liner is scheduled to be completed.	Bill Hendrickson will continue to follow the progress of the leaking liner and provide updates to VSWCD. In 2025 ask the Star News to do a follow up article to their investigative report of the February 2024 article titled, "Sewer District to Study Pond Liner Repairs".
SLRWSD possibly building a sewer treatment plant.	Provide support for the "Closing America's Wastewater Access Gap Technical Assistance Initiative for city of Cascade and SLRWSD". To complete watershed assessment of number of approved septic systems.	Monitor progress and help keep the program on track.
Continue pump out programs as a "stop gap" measure for SLRWSD	To stop wastewater from septic systems from leaking into the watershed.	Apply for funding to continue the cost share programs.
Educate the public on Septic Tank use and maintenance.	Apply for a grant for educational materials to educate the public on septic tank usage and maintenance and work with U of I septic programs.	Distribute brochures, flyers, and guides that explain how septic systems work and provide maintenance tips. Workshops and seminars. Social media campaigns. School programs. Partnerships. Mailers, newsletters and signage.



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All camp sites have Porta potties/vault toilets and dumpsters on site.	Installation of porta potties/vault toilets and dumpsters on heavily used camping areas.	Advocate with the state and county parks and recreation departments to work on placement.
All wastewater treatment plants be in compliance with IDEQ.	Require that watershed sewage treatment plants be in FULL COMPLIANCE BEFORE allowing any new connections. Stop the abuse of the IDEQ Compliance Agreement Schedule.	If a treatment plant is not in full compliance, permission for new construction should be denied. IDEQ enforcement should be strengthened.
Trace where the human waste is coming from.	Conduct a tracer study to identify the source of nutrient inputs.	Identify contaminants that are human based only. Find preliminary costs for sampling. Approach EPA to see if they could provide funding for study.