



## Bernalillo County Natural Resource Services

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# **SEPTIC TANK ABANDONMENT**

Bernalillo County Natural Resource Services will be performing a final inspection on all septic tank abandonments.

There is **No Fee** for the inspection, However, if Natural Resource Services has difficulty with compliance a fee may be instituted.

The following is an outline of the procedures for abandonment and inspection.

### **Tank Abandonment Procedure:**

- Pump out the septic tank
- Retain the pumping receipt.
- Disconnect sanitary line from the septic tank.
- Remove/crush top of tank small enough to eliminate voids (open spaces).

Fill material on site:  YES  NO

### **Do not fill in tank until inspection is done.**

Follow Inspection Procedure below.

- Fill tank completely with sand or other approved material once, inspection is complete.

### **Inspection Procedure:**

- Contact Natural Resource Services 24 hours prior to the inspection date.
- The abandoned septic tank must be left uncovered for the inspection.

A final tag will be issued by BCNRS Inspector when the inspection is complete