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Conventional System Inspection Requirements and Field Standardization



STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
ONSITE SEWAGE TREATMENT AND DISPOSAL SYSTEM
CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION AND FINAL APPROVAL

PERMIT NO. _____
DATE PAID: _____
FEE PAID: _____
RECEIPT #: _____

APPLICANT: _____

AGENT: _____

PROPERTY ADDRESS: _____

LOT: _____ BLOCK: _____ SUBDIVISION: _____ PROPERTY ID #: _____

CHECKED (X) ITEMS ARE NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH STATUTE OR RULE AND MUST BE CORRECTED.

TANK INSTALLATION		SETRACKS	
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<input type="checkbox"/>	[09] DEPTH TO LID _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	[35] OTHER _____ FT

DRAINFIELD INSTALLATION		FILLED / MOUND SYSTEM	
<input type="checkbox"/>	[10] AREA [1] _____ [2] _____ SQFT	<input type="checkbox"/>	[36] DRAINFIELD COVER
<input type="checkbox"/>	[11] DISTRIBUTION BOX _____ HEADER _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	[37] SHOULDERS
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<input type="checkbox"/>	[15] DEPTH OF COVER _____	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	
<input type="checkbox"/>	[16] ELEVATION [ABOVE/BELOW] EM _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	[40] UNOBSTRUCTED AREA
<input type="checkbox"/>	[17] SYSTEM LOCATION _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	[41] STORMWATER RUNOFF
<input type="checkbox"/>	[18] DOSING PUMPS _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	[42] ALARMS
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<input type="checkbox"/>	[21] AGGREGATE DEPTH _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	[45] LOCATION CONFORMS WITH SITE PLAN
		<input type="checkbox"/>	[46] FINAL SITE GRADING
FILL / EXCAVATION MATERIAL		<input type="checkbox"/>	[47] CONTRACTOR _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	[22] FILL AMOUNT _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	[48] OTHER _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	[23] FILL TEXTURE _____		
<input type="checkbox"/>	[24] EXCAVATION DEPTH _____	ABANDONMENT	
<input type="checkbox"/>	[25] AREA REPLACED _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	[49] TANK PUMPED / /
<input type="checkbox"/>	[26] REPLACEMENT MATERIAL _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	[50] TANK CRUSHED & FILLED / /

EXPLANATION OF VIOLATIONS / REMARKS:

CONSTRUCTION [APPROVED/DISAPPROVED]: _____ CHD DATE: _____

FINAL SYSTEM [APPROVED/DISAPPROVED]: _____ CHD DATE: _____

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OSTDS Construction
Inspection and Final
Approval.



Inspections:

- Inspections are required in order to verify that all rule and statute requirements have been addressed.
- The CHD verifies the permit conditions, including items submitted as existing portions the inspector on-site has not physically approved in previous inspections (for example, a recently-covered mound inspected by another CHD employee).



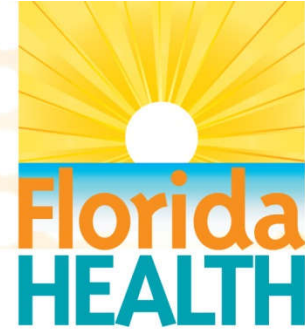
Conventional System Inspection Requirements:

- Responsibilities and procedures for conventional system inspection:
 - Who can perform an inspection?
 - What tools are needed?
 - The final inspection form and standardized inspection procedures.
 - Examples of items that arise during an inspection, how are deficiencies corrected, and by whom?

Who can perform an Inspection?



- DOH employees certified per 381.0101, FS.
- Master Septic Tank Contractors registered with the DOH per 64E-6.020, FAC.:
 - Only for System Repairs.
 - Must use form DH4016pg3 – “System Repair Certification.”
 - This form is then reviewed by the CHD inspector and used to complete the “Construction Inspection and Final Approval” form (DH4016pg2).



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Tools Required:

- At minimum, the following tools are required in order to properly conduct a standard system inspection:
 - Six-foot Auger.
 - Water Bottle.
 - 100-foot or longer measuring tape.
 - Sharpshooter Shovel.
 - Insulated Probing Rod.
 - Laser Level or Surveyor's Level with Stadia Rod.
 - Soil Survey of the County.
 - Munsell Soil Color Book.
 - 25-ft x 1-inch stainless steel and self-locking measuring tape.



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[ ] [04] MULTI-CHAMBERED [ Y / N ]
[ ] [05] OUTLET FILTER _____
[ ] [06] LEGEND _____
[ ] [07] WATERTIGHT _____
[ ] [08] LEVEL _____
[ ] [09] DEPTH TO LID _____

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Tank Installation
Items [01] – [09]

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- [01] Tank Size:
 - From the tank Legend.
- [02] Tank Material:
 - Visually Determined.
- [03] Outlet Device:
 - Verified at outlet end of tank.
- [04] Multi-Chambered [Y/N]:
 - Ensure compliance with 2/3 – 1/5 rule for chamber sizing and total required capacity.
 - Alternative is tanks in series.
- [05] Outlet Filter:
 - Physically remove, inspect, record make and model
 - verify sizing.
- [06] Legend:
 - Record to verify tank size.
- [07] Watertight:
 - Ensure proper sealing and construction.
- [08] Level:
 - Ensure level from end to end and side-to-side within 0.5" with no pitch upwards. Use floor of tank.
- [09] Depth to Lid:
 - Ensure access will be within 8" of final grade and maximum cover will not exceed tank category.



DRAINFIELD INSTALLATION

- [] [10] AREA [1] _____ [2] _____ SQFT
- [] [11] DISTRIBUTION BOX _____ HEADER _____
- [] [12] NUMBER OF DRAINLINES _____
- [] [13] DRAINLINE SEPARATION _____
- [] [14] DRAINLINE SLOPE _____
- [] [15] DEPTH OF COVER _____
- [] [16] ELEVATION (ABOVE/BELOW) BM _____
- [] [17] SYSTEM LOCATION _____
- [] [18] DOSING PUMPS _____
- [] [19] AGGREGATE SIZE _____
- [] [20] AGGREGATE EXCESSIVE FINES _____
- [] [21] AGGREGATE DEPTH _____

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Drainfield Installation

Items [10] – [21]

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▶ [10] Area:

- Length & Width of aggregate drainfields.
- Total amount of drainfield present.

▶ [11] Distribution Box or Header:

- Visually Determine. Verify Level & Equal Distribution.

▶ [12] Number of Drainlines:

- Count, record, & ensure equal length.

▶ [13] Drainline Separation:

- Ensure proper separation between trenches or beds.
- Ensure lines are properly looped if required.

- [14] Drainline Slope:
 - Verify drainline slope does not exceed 1 (one) inch in any 10 (ten) feet.
- [15] Depth of Cover:
 - Ensure the bottom of the drainfield will not be deeper than 30" below grade.
- [16] Elevation [Above/Below] BM:
 - Use laser transit to ensure compliance with permit specification.
- [17] System Location:
 - Ensure compliance with the site plan.
- [18] Dosing Pumps:
 - Verify proper installation and float settings. Verify use for sewage effluent. Record # of pumps.
- [19] Aggregate Size:
 - Visually determine whether gradation is adequate. If unable to verify, request bill of lading or require further testing.
- [20] Aggregate: Excessive Fines:
 - Visually determine whether an excessive amount of fine particles are present.
- [21] Aggregate Depth:
 - Probe to ensure sufficient depth of drainfield aggregate.

Drainfield Installation Items [10] – [21]

FILL / EXCAVATION MATERIAL

[]	[22]	FILL AMOUNT
[]	[23]	FILL TEXTURE
[]	[24]	EXCAVATION DEPTH
[]	[25]	AREA REPLACED
[]	[26]	REPLACEMENT MATERIAL

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Fill / Excavation Approval

Items [22] – [26]



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Fill/Excavation Material Items [22] – [26]

	FILL / EXCAVATION MATERIAL
[1]	[22] FILL AMOUNT
[1]	[23] FILL TEXTURE
[1]	[24] EXCAVATION DEPTH
[1]	[25] AREA REPLACED
[1]	[26] REPLACEMENT MATERIAL

- [22] Fill Amount:
 - Ensure sufficient fill has been placed on-site to properly construct the above-grade portion of the system.
- [23] Fill Texture:
 - Ensure fill is slightly-limited, or (if LPDS) moderately limited – in accordance with permit specifications.
 - If unable to determine, require further analysis.
- [24] Excavation Depth:
 - Auger to ensure that the excavated area meets the permit requirements.
 - Ensure the excavated area meets footnote 3 or 4 requirements as appropriate.
- [25] Area Replaced:
 - Ensure the area replaced is 2' longer and wider than the drainfield area, and the drainfield area is centered in this excavation.
- [26] Replacement Material:
 - Ensure the material used to replace any unsuitable soils originally found below-grade is in accordance with permit specifications.
 - If unable to determine, require further analysis.

SETBACKS

[]	[27]	SURFACE WATER	PT
[]	[28]	DITCHES	PT
[]	[29]	PRIVATE WELLS	PT
[]	[30]	PUBLIC WELLS	PT
[]	[31]	IRRIGATION WELLS	PT
[]	[32]	POTABLE WATER LINES	PT
[]	[33]	BUILDING FOUNDATION	PT
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Setbacks

Items [27] – [35]



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[]	[35]	OTHER _____	FT

All setbacks must be measured in feet, and the actual result recorded on the inspection form.

- [27] Surface Water:
 - Measured from the MAFL or MHWL
 - Ensure all surface water bodies are accounted for
- [28] Ditches:
 - Account for all Ditches and ensure they appear on the site plan
- [29] Private Wells:
 - Verify per site plan and site evaluation
- [30] Public Wells:
 - Verify per site plan and site evaluation
- [31] Irrigation Wells:
 - Verify per site plan and site evaluation
- [32] Potable Water Lines:
 - Verify per site plan and site evaluation
- [33] Building Foundation:
 - Verify per site plan and site evaluation
- [34] Property Lines:
 - Verify per site plan and site evaluation
- [35] Other:
 - Ensure all other setbacks required by the permit, site evaluation, and site plan have been met.

FILLED / MOUND SYSTEM

- [] [36] DRAINFIELD COVER
 - [] [37] SHOULDERS
 - [] [38] SLOPES
 - [] [39] STABILIZATION
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Filled/Mound System

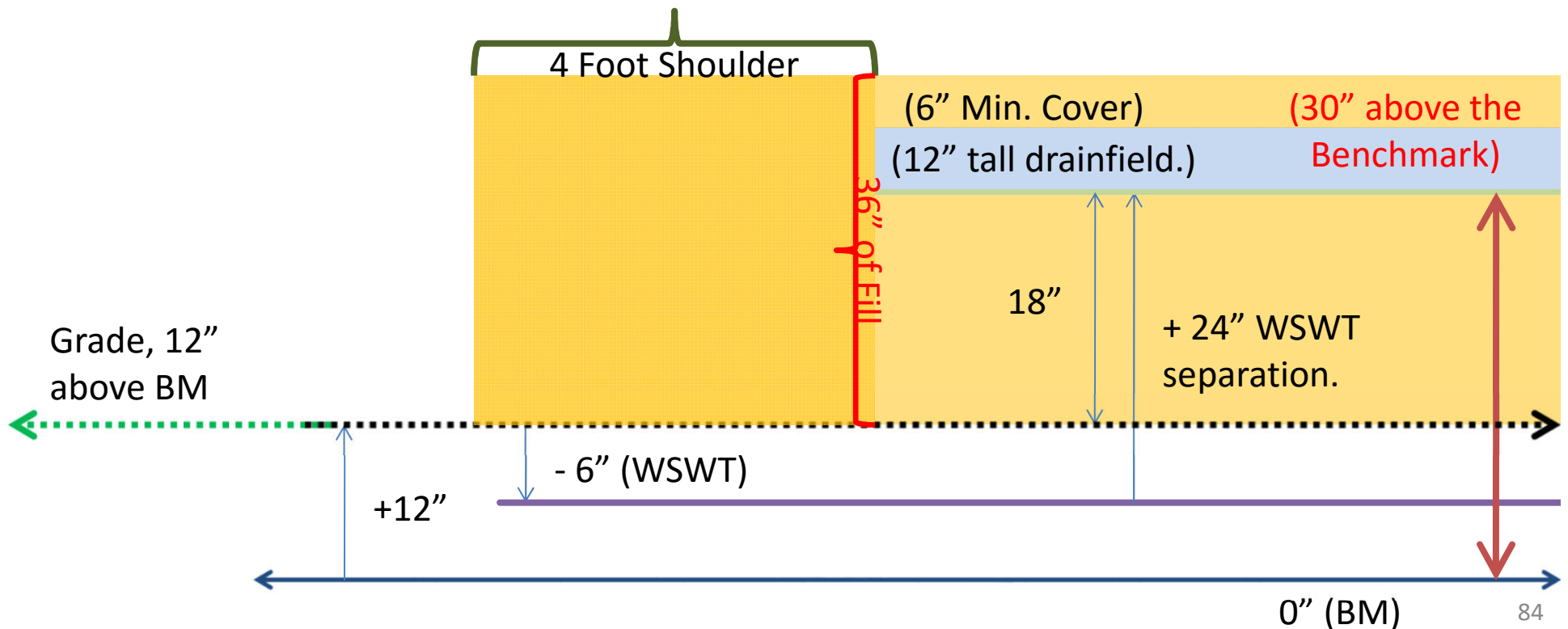
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Notes on Mound Specifications

- As in the example system, mounds are drainfields whose bottom surface is held above native soil by suitable fill.
 - In order to prevent a sanitary nuisance (sewage effluent surfacing and affecting public health or the environment), a 4-foot shoulder area of fill surrounds the drainfield.
 - To keep this structure in place, and prevent erosion, additional fill material and vegetative stabilization is required.

So we've added fill to the lot:

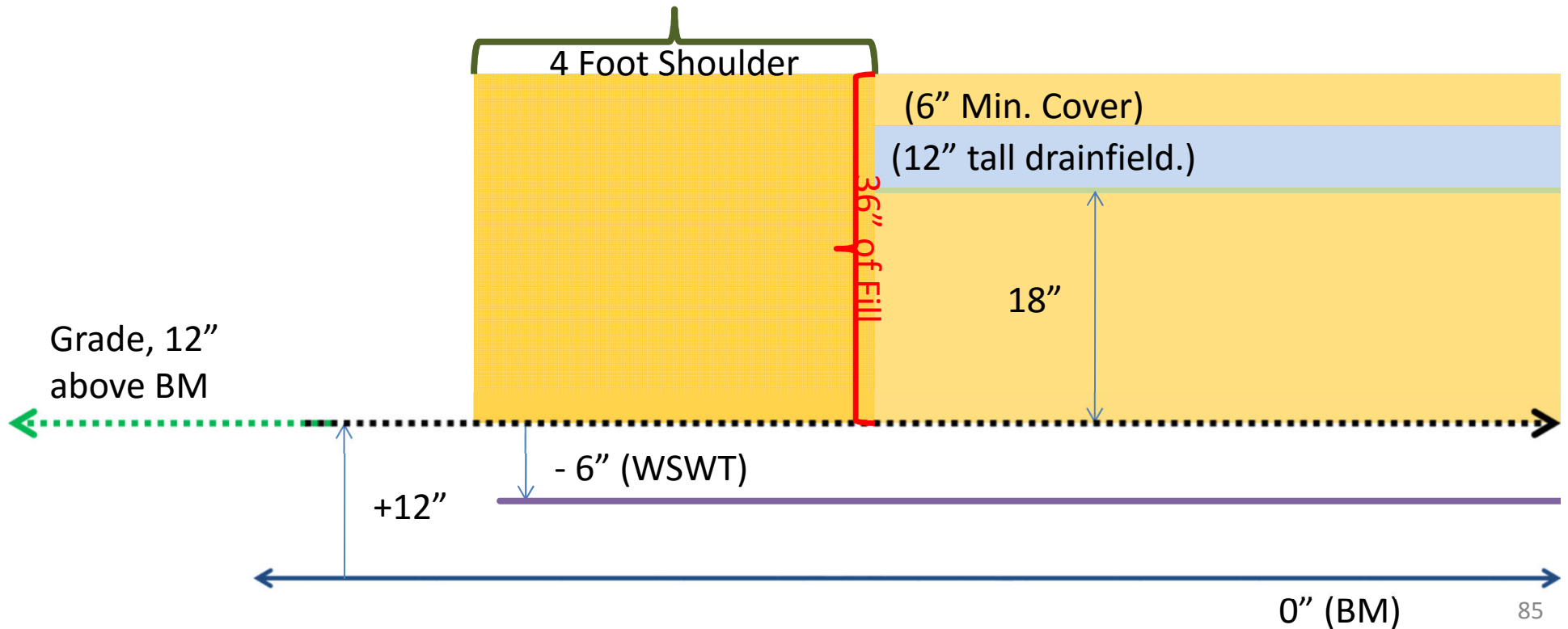
- How do we keep the drainfield effluent from spilling out into the environment?
 - We must add shoulder area around the fill already in place.
 - For new conventional systems, 4 feet of shoulder area is required.



So we've added fill to the lot:

- How do we keep the drainfield and shoulder area from eroding or falling apart?
 - We must add slopes to hold up the mounded drainfield.
 - At minimum, the slope must be 2:1 (two foot horizontal to one foot vertical).
 - For mounds exceeding 36" in height, slopes must be at least 3:1.
- How tall is our mound?
 - We only measure from natural grade to the top of the fill:
 - This mound is 36 inches tall.

What is the minimum slope required for a 36" tall mound?

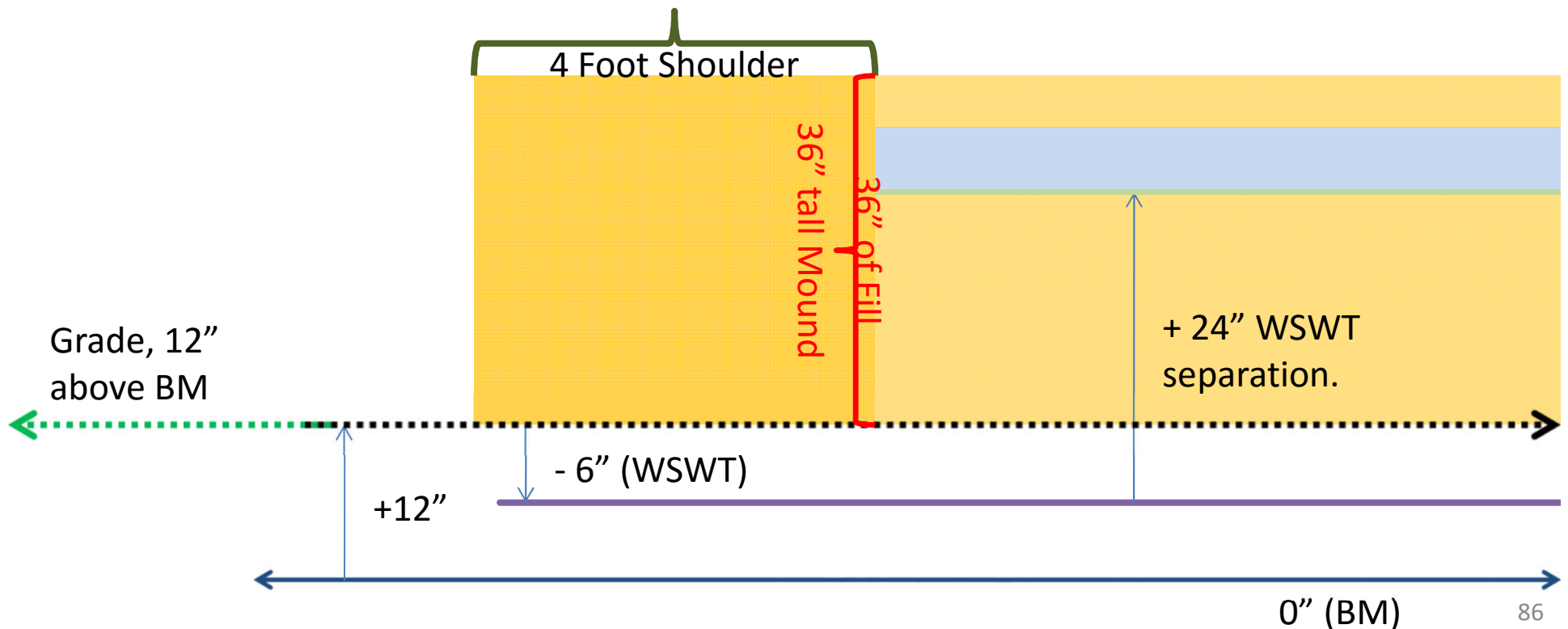




To determine the minimum slope required:

- Determine whether the mound exceeds 36 inches in height.
 - This mound is 36 inches tall, so it does not.
- Reference the rule requirement for drainfield slopes [64E-6.009(3)(f)].
 - This section requires at minimum, 2:1 slopes for mounds not exceeding 36 inches in height.
 - This mound requires at minimum, 2:1 slopes.
 - The slopes must be extended out two feet (horizontally) for every 1 foot of mound height.

How do we determine how many feet (horizontally) the slopes must measure?

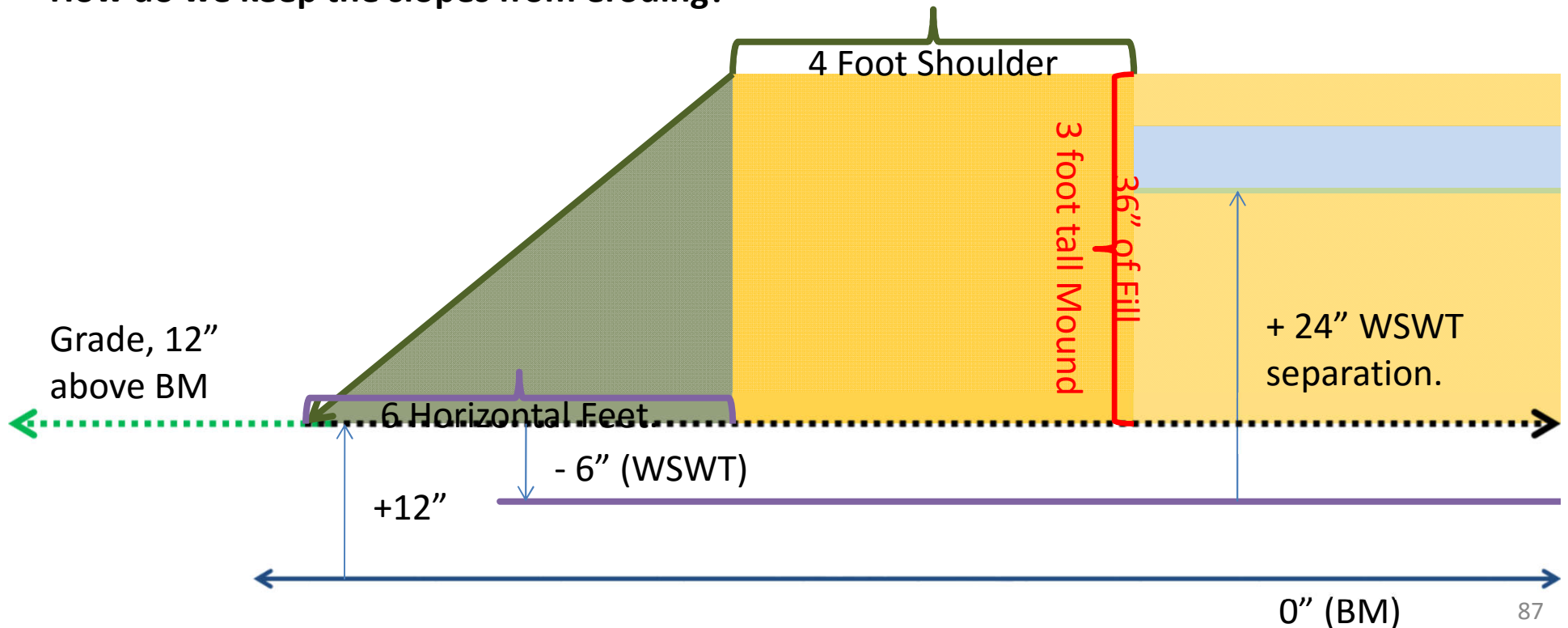




To calculate the minimum slope required:

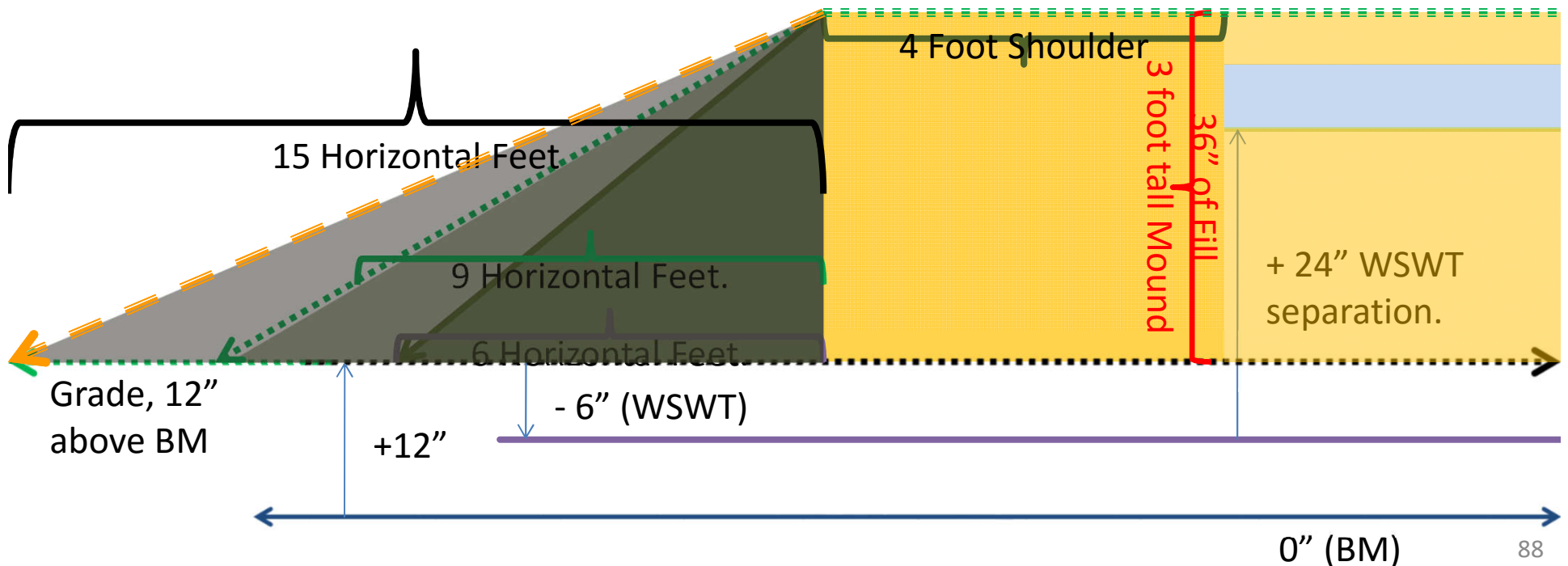
- Determine the mound height in feet.
 - This mound is 36 inches tall, so:
 - $36'' / 12'' = 3$ feet.
 - Because the minimum slope requirement (2:1) means we must cover one horizontal foot of area for each vertical foot the mound covers, we multiply the height by 2 to determine how many feet of slope are required.
 - $3 \times 2 = 6$
 - 6 feet of slope must be added for a 3 foot tall mound.

How do we keep the slopes from eroding?



To keep slopes from eroding, stabilization material must be applied:

- The rule specifies that the required stabilization material depends on the steepness of the slope.
 - For 2:1 slopes, sod (or equivalent) is required.
 - For 3:1 slopes, sod (or equivalent) is required.
 - And if the mound height exceeds 36", the entire mound must be stabilized with sod (or equivalent).
 - For 5:1 slopes or greater, seed and hay is acceptable.





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Filled / Mound System Items [36] – [39]

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[]	[36] DRAINFIELD COVER
[]	[37] SHOULDERS
[]	[38] SLOPES
[]	[39] STABILIZATION _____

- [36] Drainfield Cover:
 - Ensure fill material is in accordance with permit specifications.
- [37] Shoulders:
 - Ensure shoulders measure at least 4-feet from the edge of the drainfield and is composed of suitable material.
 - Ensure the O-horizon and original vegetation were removed prior to placement of fill material.
- [38] Slopes:
 - Ensure the adequate slopes are in place based on the actual drainfield height.
 - Measure from the outermost edge of the shoulder to the toe of the drainfield slope.
 - Ensure slopes are composed of slightly or moderately limited material.
 - Ensure the O-horizon & vegetation were removed prior to slope construction.
- [39] Stabilization:
 - Ensure the type, quantity, and quality of stabilization material is appropriate for the constructed mound height and slopes. Record the type of stabilization (seed & hay, sod, etc.).

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- [] [40] UNOBSTRUCTED AREA
- [] [41] STORMWATER RUNOFF
- [] [42] ALARMS
- [] [43] MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT
- [] [44] BUILDING AREA
- [] [45] LOCATION CONFORMS WITH SITE PLAN
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- [] [48] OTHER _____

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Additional Information
Items [40] – [48]



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[]	[48]	OTHER _____

- ▶ [40] Unobstructed Area:
 - Measured area must comply with site plan and meet measured setbacks.
- ▶ [41] Stormwater Runoff:
 - Installation area and unobstructed area must not be subject to saturation due to stormwater.
- ▶ [42] Alarms:
 - Visually examine installation.
 - Check function with alarm float.
- ▶ [43] Maintenance Agreement:
 - Ensure maintenance agreement is in place for ATU and PBTS requirements.

- [[44] Building Area:
 - Ensure conformity with the approved floor plan.
- [45] Location Conforms with Site Plan:
 - Ensure all pertinent features are in place and conform to the approved site plan.
- [46] Final Site Grading:
 - Ensure the bottom of drainfield is no deeper than 30” below final grade.
- [47] Contractor:
 - Record name of contractor/company.
- [48] Other:
 - Record the make, model, and total amount of alternative drainfield units used in the system installation.

Additional Information

Items [40] – [48]

ABANDONMENT

[]	[]	[49]	TANK PUMPED	___/___/___
[]	[]	[50]	TANK CRUSHED & FILLED	___/___/___

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Abandonment
Items [49] – [50]



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Abandonment Items [49] – [50]

ABANDONMENT	
[]	[49] TANK PUMPED <u> / / </u>
[]	[50] TANK CRUSHED & FILLED <u> / / </u>

- [49] Tank Pumped:
 - Require pump-out receipt from contractor.
 - Record the date the tank was pumped.
- [50] Tank Crushed & Filled:
 - Confirm that the tank has been crushed or collapsed.
 - Record the date the tank was crushed or collapsed.
 - Confirm that sufficient back-fill material was used.
 - Confirm that there is no sanitary nuisance.

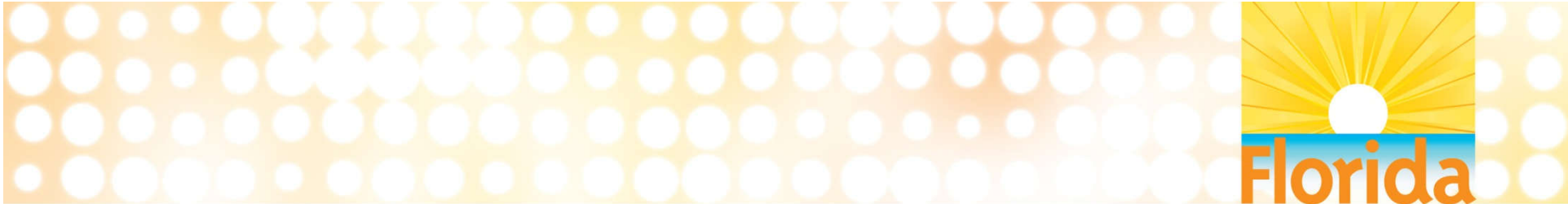


EXPLANATION OF VIOLATIONS / REMARKS:

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Explanation of
Violations/Remarks



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[]	_____
[]	_____
[]	_____
[]	_____

- Explanation of Violations/Remarks:
 - Document, Document, Document!
 - Ensure all violations are explained, using additional sheets as required.
 - Ensure any additional items of note are documented.



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Construction Approval & Final Approval

- Construction Approval:
 - Designate whether the system construction is approved or disapproved.
 - Must be signed and dated by a certified CHD employee.
 - All re-inspections must be recorded on a separate form in EHD, each approved or disapproved in turn.
- Final Approval:
 - Record as “disapproved” until all OSTDS rule and statute requirements have been met.
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Corrections to an installation:

- What happens when deficiencies are encountered?
 - How they are corrected?
 - By whom?
 - What are the associated fees?
 - What would void an otherwise viable permit?