



# State of North Carolina

**ROY COOPER**  
GOVERNOR

**SEPTICSMART WEEK**

**2018**

**BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA**

**A PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, proper septic system use and routine care are vital to protecting public health; preserving our highly valued groundwater, lakes, streams and waterways; and avoiding costly repairs that can result from neglect; and

**WHEREAS**, nearly 50 percent of septic systems in North Carolina treat wastewater from homes and businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, wastewater professionals in North Carolina use their expertise in the design, installation, maintenance, and regulation of septic systems; and

**WHEREAS**, the United States Environmental Protection Agency's SepticSmart program is used by North Carolina health officials to educate homeowners about the need for proper septic system use and routine maintenance; and

**WHEREAS**, residents and the environment of North Carolina benefit from properly designed, installed, operated, and maintained septic systems;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 17 – 21, 2018, as "**SEPTICSMART WEEK**" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.



Roy Cooper  
Governor

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this fourteenth day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and eighteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-second.