



# State of North Carolina

**ROY COOPER**  
GOVERNOR

**SEPTICSMART WEEK**

**2022**

**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 North Carolina residents rely on septic systems to treat wastewater from homes and businesses; and

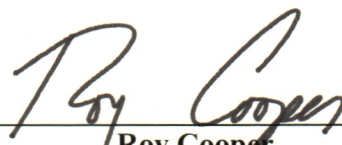
**WHEREAS**, wastewater professionals in North Carolina use their expertise in the design, permitting, installation, maintenance, and regulation of septic systems; and

**WHEREAS**, the United States Environmental Protection Agency's SepticSmart program, used by North Carolina public health officials, educates homeowners about the importance of proper septic system use and routine maintenance; and

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

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 19 – 23, 2022, as “**SEPTICSMART WEEK**” in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.



  
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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 sixteenth day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-two and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-eighth.