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# **Guidance from the Monroe County Health Department**

Presently, this department is not offering the services of a staff soil scientist to perform the onsite investigation of the soil and site for septic leach fields. You will need to contact and schedule an approved registered soil scientist to complete the required soil test and make sure the report is submitted to this office. A Septic Permit will not be issued without first having the soil test performed and the report submitted. Please follow this protocol to avoid being required to have a soil scientist return for an additional visit to your property.

- 1. Contact a contractor from our approved list of septic installers to work with you and your site plan to identify and flag or otherwise mark an area for the proposed leach field. It is advised that you coordinate with your chosen soil scientist to be present with the septic installer when the soil test is performed.
- 2. The soil scientist will be required to submit GPS coordinates for each boring site that is tested and submitted as part of the soil report. At least (3) three borings will need to be made, (one at each end of the flagged area and one either above or below the flagged area). Each boring site needs to be made 5 to 10 feet from the outer edge of the flagged leach field bed(s).

