



**Bernalillo County
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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