NATIONAL INSPECTION PLAN FOR DOMESTIC WASTE WATER TREATMENT SYSTEMS

CLEAN WATER IS ESSENTIAL

1. It is a resource we can’t take for granted.

2. It is vital for the health and well-being of you and your family.

3. Our clean water is under threat.

4. We all need to take steps to protect our water.

5. The quality of our water contributes to economic growth, food imports, biodiversity, tourism.

WHY?

WHAT IS BEING DONE?

OBJECTIVES
- Proper operation and maintenance of DWWS
- Appropriate management of DWWS sludge
- Improved awareness among the public of what they need to do

ACHIEVING THE OBJECTIVES
- Implementation of engagement and inspection actions in the National Inspection Plan

ENGAGEMENT
- Information campaigns are being developed to advise and educate the public about DWWS. The aim is to assist and encourage householders to take the necessary steps to properly operate and maintain their systems.

INSPECTIONS
- Local authority inspectors are carrying out inspections of DWWS. The majority of inspections are carried out in areas where system failures would pose the greatest risk to human health and the environment. The aim of the inspections is to identify such system failures and have actions taken to remedy the problem.

For more information on the National inspection Plan and on how to operate and maintain your system, go to www.epa.ie/water/wastewater/inspect