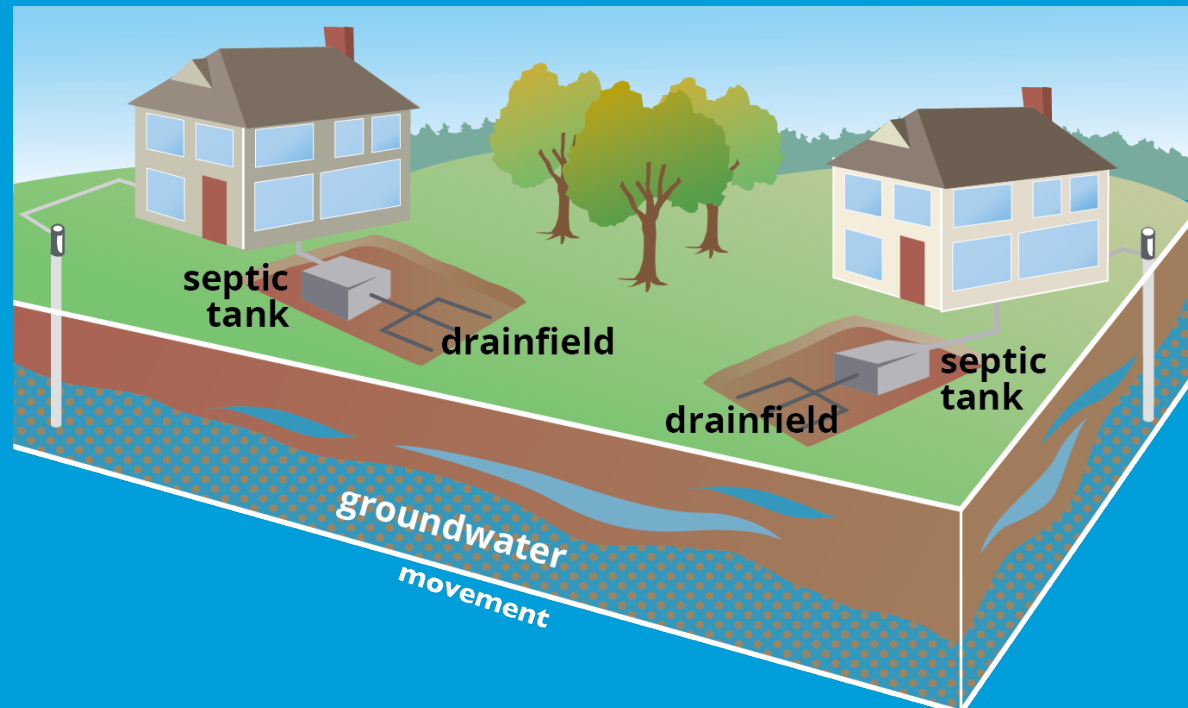


# On-site Sewage System (OSS) 2024 Code Revisions



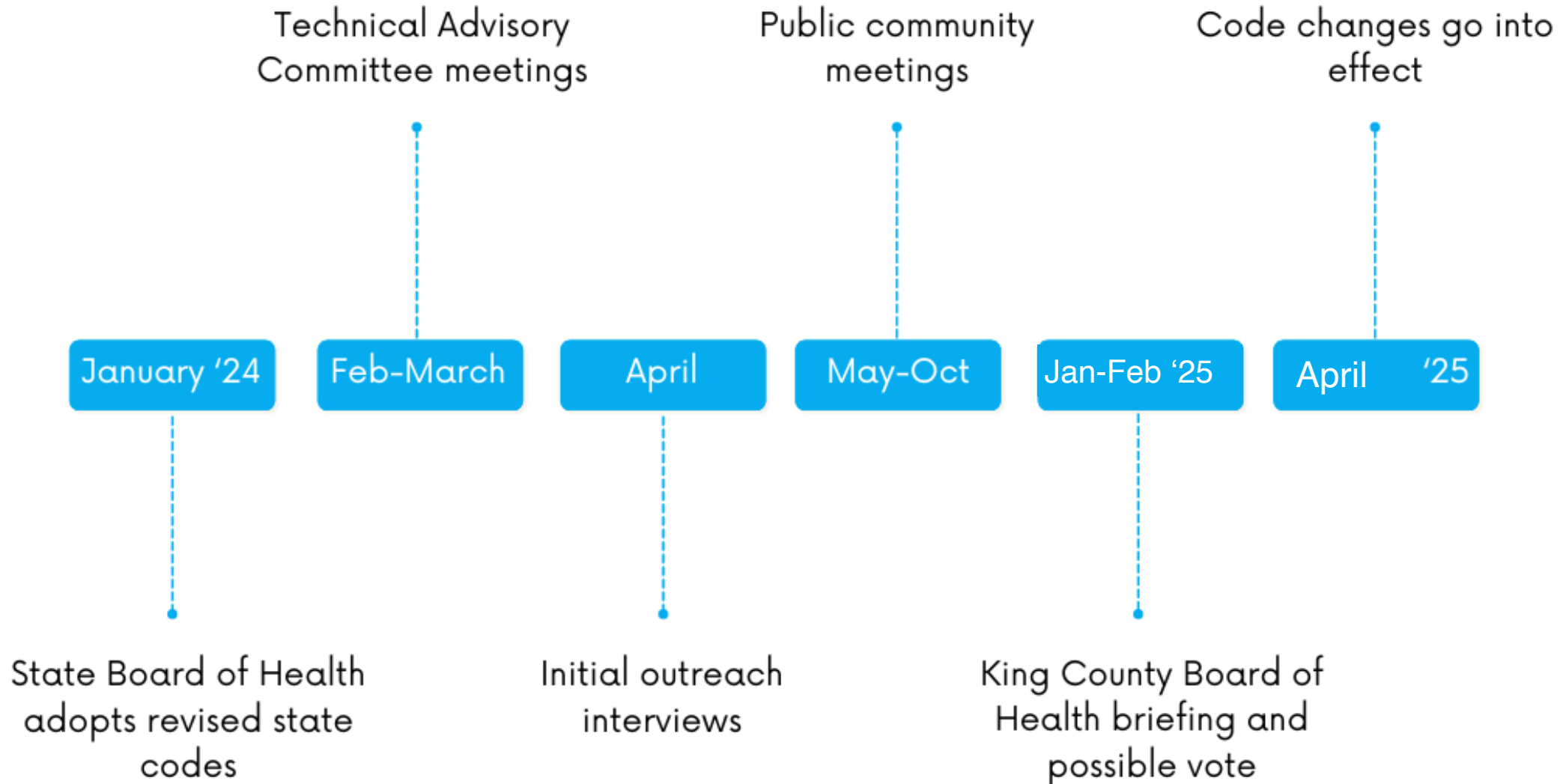
# Code Revisions:

- The Washington State Board of Health recently approved revisions to the statewide OSS rules
- King County is updating septic codes to comply with these recent state code changes
- This is also an opportunity to make changes to improve septic regulations in King County
- Goal is to reduce costs, remove barriers, and simplify language.



# Timeline - 2024

## On-site Sewage/Septic System Code Revisions



## Over the last 8 months, King County OSS Program has:

- Created an outreach project
- Held meetings for **711** registered folks
- Received surveys from **614** people
- Sent over **700** emails to groups & individuals
- Seen **10,256** people visit project website, with **15,745** views
- Grown the OSS Newsletter from 500 to **850** subscribers
- Posted **47** social media posts
  - Seen **181,918** times
  - Shared **301** times
  - Interacted with **1,131** times (likes and dislikes)

# Codes that reduce costs

- 13.04.050 - Add waiver process to permit OSS replacement when sewer connection is not feasible
- 13.60.010 - Reduce inspection frequency for proprietary OSS
- 13.56.054 - Remove some requirements for notices on title
- *Throughout* - Minor repairs no longer require permits





# Codes that remove barriers

- 13.48.010 - Allow smaller pressure distribution drainfields
- 13.28.070 - Reduce ADU sizing requirements
- 13.68.010 - Reframe pumper certification as pumper/technician certification – allowed to pump and inspect gravity OSS
- 13.60.030 - Extend TOS inspection timeline from 6 months to 12 months







## Next steps

- Proposed language and comments provided will be posted on OSS website.
- The BOH will consider the proposals in January and February 2025.
- The codes would go into effect on April 1, 2025.

Sign up for updates at [www.kingcounty.gov/oss/alerts](http://www.kingcounty.gov/oss/alerts).



# Thank you so much!

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