



LOS OSOS SEPTIC DECOMMISSIONING AND REUSE PLAN (LOSDRP)

OVERVIEW FEBRUARY 25, 2015

In addition to the standard abandonment process of pumping your septic tank and having it rendered useless by filling it with gravel or cement and crushing the tank lids, you have the opportunity to reuse your tank as a cistern. The following provides an overview of the six reuse options. Each one can reduce runoff, recharge the groundwater, improve water quality and conserve water.

Currently, standards are being developed with details for implementation, permit processing times and fees are being reviewed and

educational materials are in the works to help homeowners understand their options and their site. Workshops will be held later this year to introduce designers, contractors and potential grants to help implement reuse strategies.

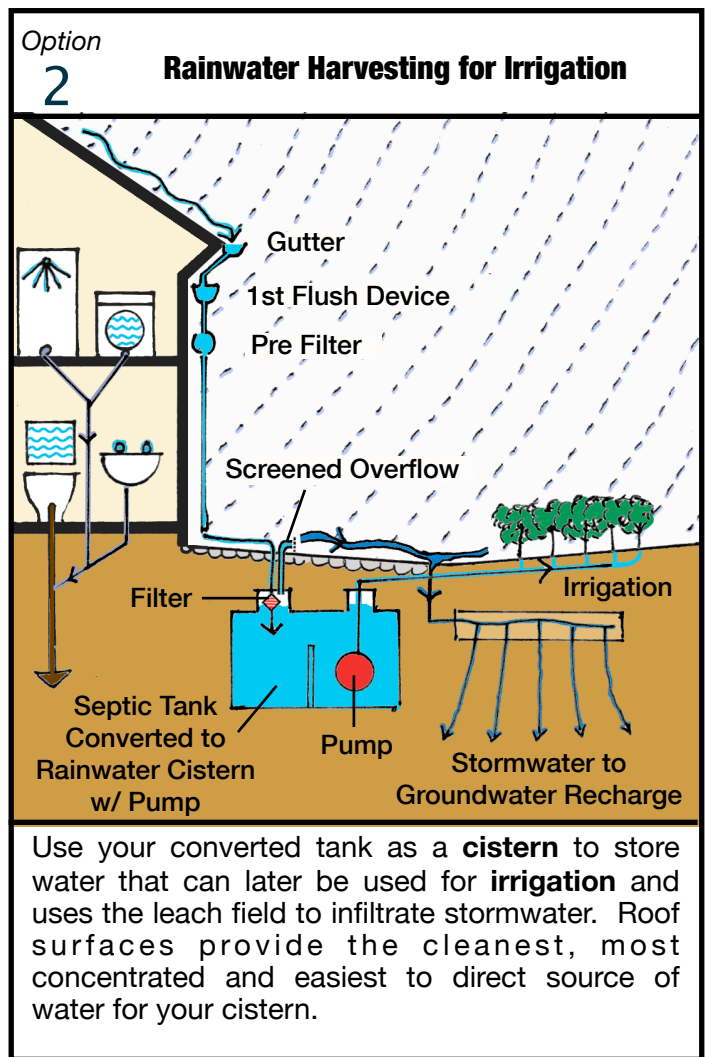
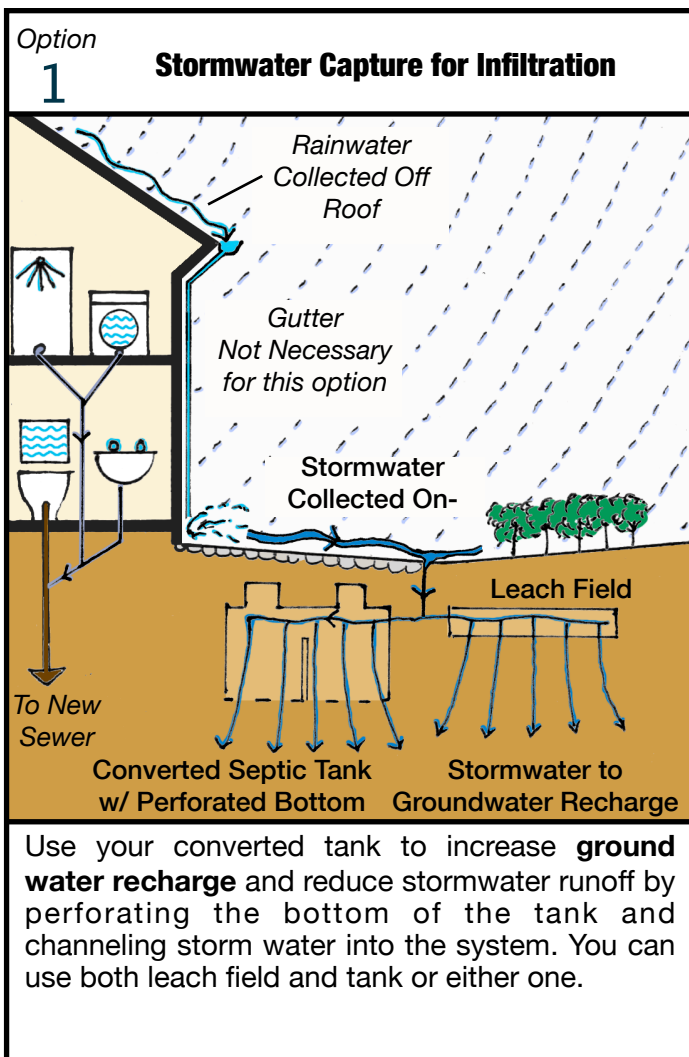
IMPORTANT DATES:

September/ October 2015: Program Roll-out

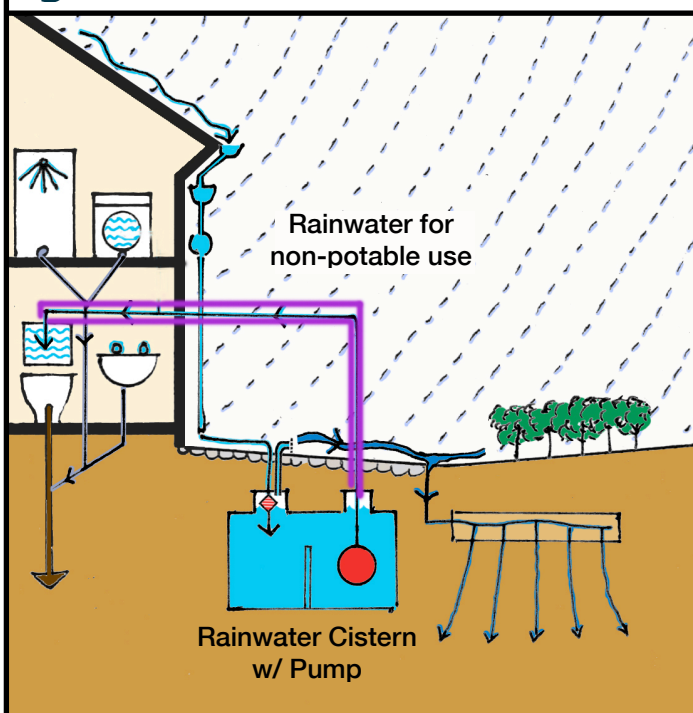
April 2016: Hook-up & Reuse workshop #1

July 2016: Hook-up & Reuse workshop #2

October 2016: Hook-up & Reuse workshop #3

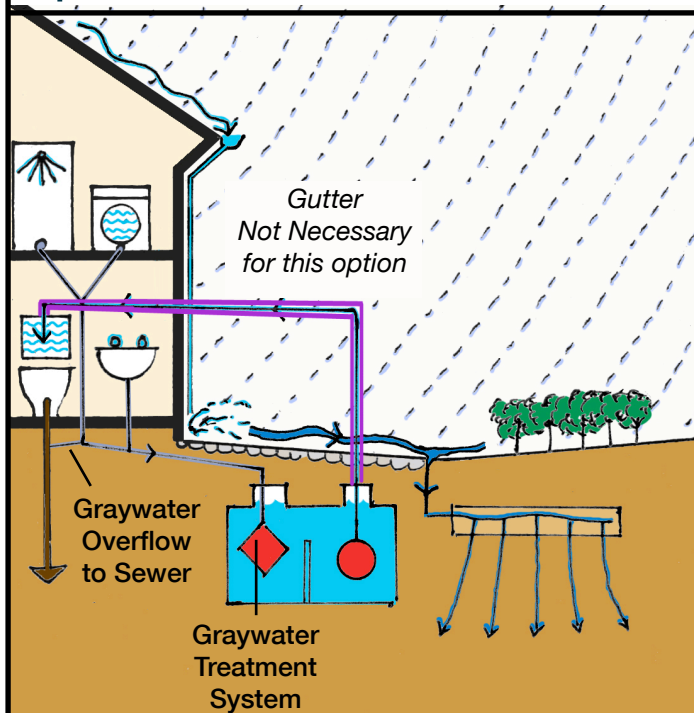


Option 3 Rainwater Harvesting for Indoor Toilet



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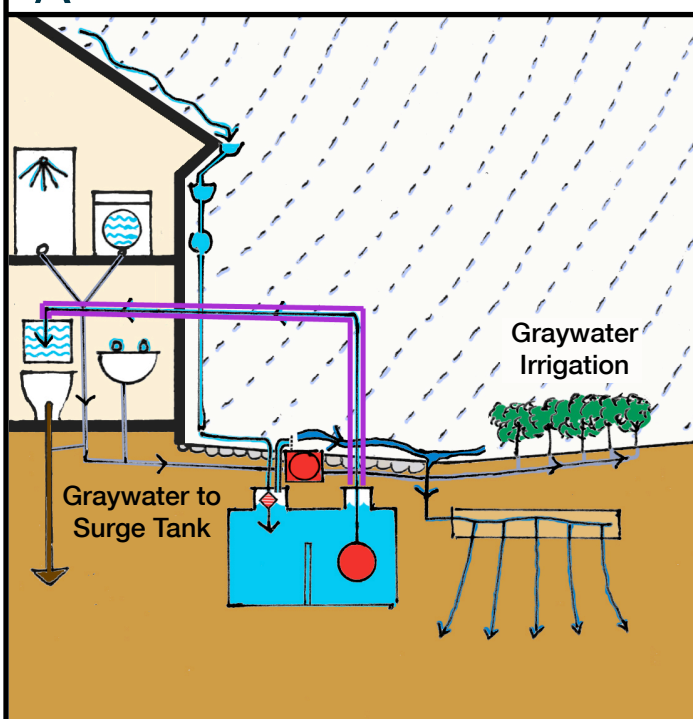
Option 4 Treated Graywater for Indoor Toilet Use



Use the tank to treat and store **graywater** for **indoor, non-potable** uses, and reuse the **leach field** to **infiltrate stormwater**.

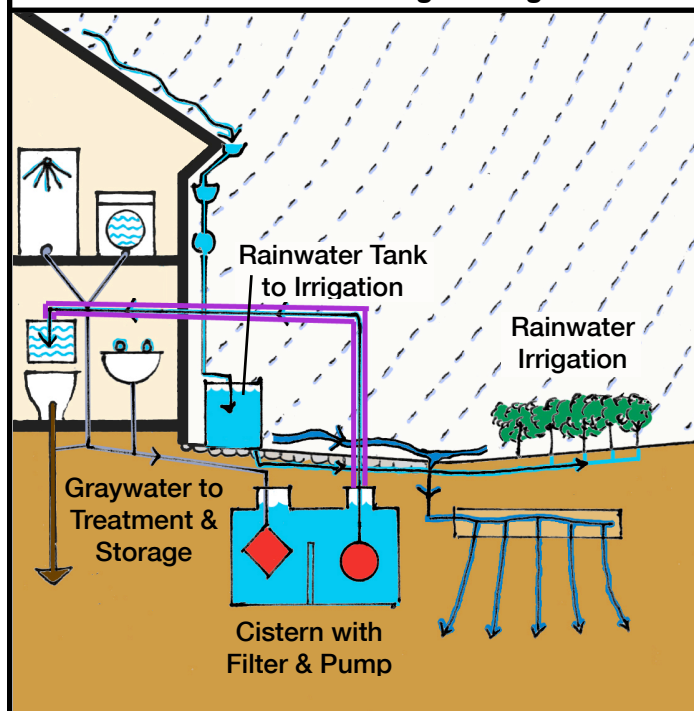
Combo: Combining your septic conversion with supplementary systems can create synergies & greater benefits

Combo A Option 3 + Graywater for Irrigation



Combining Option 3, which uses **harvested rain water** for **indoor, non-potable** uses, with direct use of **graywater** for landscape **irrigation** increases the water conservation advantages of the system.

Combo B Option 4 + Rainwater Harvesting for Irrigation



Combining Option 4, which uses treated **graywater** for **indoor, non-potable** uses, an additional **rainwater harvesting** system for landscape **irrigation**, and reuse of the **leach field** to **infiltrate stormwater** makes this 3-way combination the most comprehensive.