

General Septic Permit information

Regarding the comment in mls agent remarks “We contacted the county regarding the septic permit. They are unable to locate the permit.”

What does this mean?

The statement does not mean the permit was not issued, only that the permit paperwork from the original installation cannot be found due to the reasons mentioned below.

Until recent years, documentation for septic permits was not available in an online system. Some counties have upgraded their systems and septic permits have been made available online. They have and continue to go through a process of scanning and adding to their system. When it is not found, the county will complete research to try to locate the permit. Sometimes the permit cannot be found because it has been lost due to the shuffle of paperwork over the years or its been filed under the incorrect address or lot number. Some counties only maintain permits on file for 7 years. Depending on county, permits were also filed by developer, septic installer or the owner at the time of the installation. That information also may not be easily obtained.

The info above is general information on what the “septic permit not found” means and the various reasons on why that may be noted. If you have specific questions, please let us know!