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There are many areas in Charles County that have significant problems with Septic and Water system failures. Unfortunately, many of these failing systems are in areas that have a Priority Classification of W-6 and S-6 which means they are outside Designated Service Areas, and there are no current or future plans for public water or public sewage service by the county. Per the Charles County Comprehensive Water and Sewer Plan 2006, "The County Commissioners have established the priority classification system in accordance with State Law. The County Commissioners have established a priority classification system in accordance with State law. The priority system is designed to show a rational, timely means to obtain such facilities while maintaining the integrity of both the County Comprehensive Water and Sewer Plan and the County Comprehensive Land Use Plan. The priority system is designed to show need and intent of the County, its municipalities, and the development district for establishing or extending public, community, or multi-use water and sewer systems. The County Commissioners of Charles County segregate their water and sewer priority classification system as there are fundamental differences in the interpretation of these categories, which affects their implementation. Each category change requires an amendment to the Comprehensive Water and Sewer Plan, as approved by the Charles County Commissioners, except for the change from Category 3 to Category 1." There is a significant need within the county

to review and determine how many citizens live in areas outside of those serviced by the county for water and sewage that have failing systems. The number of systems that are aged, have failed, or have the potential to fail, and there's vast land across the county that can no longer pass a percolation test. A percolation test is a soil test designed to evaluate the soil's capacity to accept a subsurface sewage disposal system (septic system). Cont'd in Attachment

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