Term	Acronym	Vocabulary	Vocabulary Type	Preferred Term				
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flows into the ground through drains. While properly placed and maintained septic systems can effectively treat domestic wastewater,								
others are a major source of ground water and surface water pollution.								
Septic Tank		Terms of Environment	Glossary and Key W List	Vord				
Definition: An underground storage tank for wastes from homes not connected to a sewer line. Waste goes directly from the home to the tank.								
Septic tank		Greenhouse Gas	Glossary and Key W	Vord				
		Emissions	List					
Definition: Underground tank for treatment of wastewater from a home in rural and suburban areas. Bacteria in the tank decompose organic wastes and the sludge settles to the bottom of the tank. The effluent flows out of the tank into the ground through a field of drainpipes.								
Septic Tank		Septic Systems Glossary	<ul> <li>Glossary and Key W</li> <li>List</li> </ul>	Vord				
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Septic Tank		EPA EV-Built	Taxonomy					
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sewage discharged from a building sewer. The effluent from such receptacle is distributed for disposal through the soil and settled							
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Septic Tank Effluent	STEG Collection System		Taxonomy				
Gravity Collection System		Environments-Waste					
		Systems					
	•	•	gravity flow of effluent to a	subsequent component.			
[EPA Guidance for Federal Land Management in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Glossary at							
http://www.epa.gov/owow_keep/NPS/chesbay502/pdf/chesbay_glossary.pdf]							
Septic Tank Effluent	STEP Collection System		Taxonomy				
Pump Collection System		Environments-Waste					
		Systems					
Definition: Collection system that uses a septic tank to separate solids and incorporates a pump and associated parts to convey							
effluent under pressure to a subsequent component. [EPA Guidance for Federal Land Management in the Chesapeake Bay							
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