

UNDERGROUND FUEL STORAGE TANKS (UST)

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Underground tanks used for the storage of hazardous substance and wastes are potential sources of contamination to the state's water resources, and may pose other dangers to public health and the environment. Tank leaks can result in the contamination of subsurface soils, migration of toxic or explosive vapors, and contamination of groundwater and surface waters. Careful monitoring of existing single-walled tanks, or replacement with either aboveground or double-walled UST's, will reduce the state's liability. However, if a leak or spill does occur, expensive product recovery and/or corrective action programs will be necessary.

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