In appraising new property for individual water supply and sewage disposal systems, a better evaluation could be made by the sanitarian if he/she had both permit application at the time that a site inspection is conducted. However, neither the Water Well Regulations nor the Sewage System Regulations require that both applications be submitted simultaneously. Consequently, the sanitarian is required to make decisions and act upon the information contained in whichever application is received first. If, for example, an application for constructing a drilled well which meets all requirements of the Water Well Regulations is received, a permit must be issued and could not be held pending receipt of a waste disposal system application. Review of an individual sewage system permit application must be accomplished within 21 days after receipt. Water well applications must be reviewed in 15 days.

It is incumbent upon the sanitarian to advise the property owner of potential problems that may arise in issuing a later permit at the time the initial application is received. A sanitarian’s failure to issue a permit, provided conditions warrant the issuance of such, may subject the sanitarian to legal liability.

References
64 CSR 09, Sewage System Regulations
64 CSR 19, Water Well Regulations