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## **Otter Tail County Introduces New Permit Search Feature on GIS Map**

August 29, 2024— OTTER TAIL COUNTY, Minn.— Otter Tail County is excited to announce a new enhancement to its Geographic Information System (GIS) map. This feature allows residents and stakeholders to search for permits more easily and efficiently, representing a significant step forward in the county's commitment to improving public access to vital information.

The new permit search functionality will enable users to:

**Easily Locate Permits:** Users can search for permits issued within Otter Tail County directly through the GIS map interface, including shoreland permits, variance permits, septic permits, and more.

**Enhance Accessibility:** The county aims to help residents stay informed about neighborhood development activities by providing easy access to permit information. Permits issued after 2018 are being phased in and will be available soon.

**Improve User Experience for Professional Services:** The GIS map has been updated with a user-friendly interface that makes navigating and searching for permits straightforward and intuitive. Users can search by address, parcel number, or permit type to quickly find the necessary information.

“Otter Tail County works to leverage technology to better serve our communities,” said Chris LeClair, Otter Tail County’s Land and Resource Director. “Adding the permit search feature to our GIS map is another example of our commitment to innovating services and providing our property owners easy access to important information.”

To access the new permit search feature, visit the Otter Tail County GIS map at [ottertailcounty.gov/gis-maps/](https://ottertailcounty.gov/gis-maps/). Select the GIS Web App and navigate to the parcel you want to search. Click on the parcel and choose the "Permits" option. If any permits have been issued for the parcel, they will be listed and available for viewing. For more information or assistance, please contact the Otter Tail County GIS Department at 218-998-8310.

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