



June 28, 2016

Ministry of Health Survey

The Ministry of Health is conducting a survey in order to gather suggested changes to the Private Sewage Regulation and the Shoreland Pollution Control Regulation.

The survey has been emailed and mailed out to a list of contractors and suppliers for their response, however it is also uploaded on the Ministry's website for anyone interested. If you would like to participate in the survey it can be accessed at <https://www.saskatchewan.ca/government/public-consultations/pre-consultations-private-sewage-works-regulations-and-shoreland-pollution-control-regulations>

For PDF downloads, please go to: <http://www.sowma.ca/ministry-of-health-survey/>

This is a rare opportunity for onsite wastewater stakeholders to provide input on regulatory change that impacts the industry. Please take time to provide your feedback, or contact the SOWMA office to have your comments and concerns included in the association's response. Comments and suggestions should not be limited to the regulations, but should include suggested improvements for the Saskatchewan Onsite Wastewater Disposal Guideline, as that document supports the regulations.

Mound Installation – Lloydminster

Despite severe storm warnings, the clouds parted on June 22 and allowed the mound installation in Lloydminster to take place without a hitch. The association led training in mound installation on a site provided by Robert Aultman of Bob's Backhoe service. A site and soils field day had been held on the same site in May.

The homeowner was on hand to observe participants scarifying the basal area, applying the washed sand and geogrid, building the pressure distribution system, installing the infiltration chambers, applying berm material and cover and getting the mound ready for seeding to grass.

Field days are planned as sites are made available to the association. If you have a site for a field day, contact SOWMA and we will work with you to host a training event. Prairie North Health Region's inspector was on hand to observe and approve the system ready for commissioning. All-in-all this session provided a very valuable learning opportunity for all involved.

Onsite Wastewater Practitioner Training

The next available training session dates are:

Days 1-3 - November 1 – 3, 2016 - Saskatoon, SK

Days 4-7 - November 15 – 18, 2016 – Saskatoon, SK

Registration is now open.

[Register online](#) or contact the association office at 855-872-2650 for more information.

Site and Soils Evaluation Opportunity – Saskatoon Region

The Saskatchewan Onsite Wastewater Management Association hosts site and soils evaluation field training days throughout the province during the installation season. These practical training days are a great opportunity to get hands-on experience evaluating a site, as well as practicing hand texturing and sampling. Those who have recently completed the Onsite Wastewater Practitioner Training Program will be able to take their new knowledge and apply it on-site. Experienced designers and installers should also consider this opportunity to continue their education.

August 19, 2016

Register online or contact the association office at 855-872-2650 for more information.

SJE Rhombus Training

There are 8 spots still available for the fall training class in Detroit Lakes. Participants must cover the airfare to/from Fargo, North Dakota. SJE Rhombus will cover all the transportation costs to/from the airport, meals, hotel and entertainment. Attendees should arrive on the 12th of September and depart on the 15th.

For more information please go to: <http://www.sowma.ca/news-events/events/>

Upcoming Events

NAWT/NOWRA

2016 Onsite Wastewater Mega-Conference
October 26-29, 2016
Reno, NV

CIPHI Saskatoon Annual Convention

November 8 – 9, 2016
Saskatoon, SK

WWETT Expo Education Day

Water & Wastewater Equipment, Treatment & Transport Show
Indiana Convention Center - Indianapolis, Indiana
February 22 - 25, 2017

2017 SARM Annual Convention

March 13, 2017 to March 16, 2017
Saskatoon, SK

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