



Manitoba Onsite Wastewater  
Management Association



May 4, 2020

### **Association Access During COVID-19**

You may be wondering if your Association office is open for business during the COVID-19 crisis. The answer is yes.

Our physical doors may not be open, however our phone lines, email, and other virtual services certainly are. We are pleased to be able to continue to answer queries and provide information to our membership and the general public, as we always have in the past.

We are hindered in providing classroom training at this time, however are looking at ways to move to a virtual classroom for some of our training offerings, at least while the regulations and mandates regarding gatherings are currently in place.

The Association strives to provide good service to our membership and the general public with information on industry news, training, regulatory changes, membership services, etc.

Please reach out; we are still here.

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### **Worst Story Contest**

**The stories are in! We asked and you delivered.**

The most popular story was written by Monroe Hunsicker, and in second place is Dustin Dmytryshyn.

We had a lot of great entries, and we will be sharing them in our publications in the coming months.

Congratulations to the winners!

We'll be posting a story each week to our Facebook pages. Follow us on Facebook to see them all.

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### **Workplace Safety - Now and Into the Future**

The Association hosted a webinar on Workplace Safety on April 27, 2020 led by Ernest Cremers, Cremers Safety Ltd. Forty people participated in the webinar that discussed health and safety protocols when working in the wastewater industry.

Participants will be receiving the documents that were presented in the webinar including a Safety Cheat Sheet, demonstrating the proper PPE, and a Fit for Work Protocol. Those collecting continuing education points will receive documentation verifying their participation.

Stay tuned for more educational opportunities delivered via webinar in the weeks ahead!



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### **Share Your Knowledge**

The association is sourcing articles for publication in our WCOWMA family of newsletters, and our printed magazine. Newsletters are published monthly, and magazines are published twice per year. Both include information, news and events from each Western province.

Articles submitted may be on any topic relevant to our membership and stakeholder group, such as those related to wastewater, septage and the onsite wastewater industry. Article length should be between 200 to 500 words for the newsletter and 800 to 1,500 words for the magazine. In both cases the article should be research or case study based. Relevant pictures are welcome; a photo release may be required. Promotional articles or those that are heavily proprietary are considered advertorial and are subject to advertising rates. These will be identified in the publications as advertorials.

Banner and feature advertising is also now available in our newsletter – please contact the association office more information. WCOWMA newsletters and magazines are distributed to over 5000 onsite wastewater stakeholders across Western Canada.

Articles may be submitted to [info@wcowma.com](mailto:info@wcowma.com). The deadline for each newsletter is the 15th of each month. Articles submitted may be published immediately or held for future publications.

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### **New Member Benefit**

We are excited to announce we've partnered with Perkopolis.

More information will be sent to our members in the coming weeks.

If you are not currently a member and would like to be, please contact our office.

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### **Upcoming Opportunities**

We have been sharing numerous webinars on our Facebook page.

Liberty Pump will be doing an online presentation on May 11th. The content will be:  
Waste-water Pumps Lift Stations On-site Pumps Pressure Sewer and Controls

More information on this session as well as other industry news, WCOWMA webinars and training sessions, and so much more is available on our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/ManitobaOnsite/>