



# Erosion and Stormwater Management News

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## Reminder post cards sent out

Last fall we mailed out a post card to everyone that had an expiring certification as a reminder to get into a class. This fall we will plan to do the same. Please review your card and look at the expiration dates. If your card says you have an expiring certification in 2016, then you will want to get into a class before May of 2016 to make sure your certification does not lapse. While we plan to send a reminder card to you, registering early will give you the best selection of classes, so look for the fall schedule in the mail and on line.

In the example card below, Goldy Gopher will need to get into the installer and Site Management recertification classes next winter, but can wait a year before taking the Design of SWPPP Recertification class.

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### Goldy Gopher

Installer (May 31 2016)  
 Site Management (May 31 2016)  
 Design of SWPPP (May 31 2017)

## Site Management and Installer Classes available in July

If you have a new employee or a new project that requires a certification, we will have both Construction Site Management and Construction Installer Certification classes available this July. The Design of Construction SWPPP class is also available later in the summer. Registration is now available at [www.erosion.umn.edu](http://www.erosion.umn.edu).

## Technical Tip Aquatic Invasive Species

Aquatic invasive species are in the news a lot lately, and it should not be a surprise that they will also affect your construction operations if you are working in water. In Minnesota, you should plan to inspect and clean any piece of equipment or construction material that has been in a lake, river, or other water body before it is transported off the site. The DNR regulations say that all items need to be drained and free of any aquatic plants or organisms when being transported. Additionally, if you are working in a water body that is known to be infested, specific cleaning procedures and permits will be needed as well. For more information, check the DNR website at <http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/invasives/aquatic/index.html>

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## Industrial Stormwater Permit Training

The reissued Minnesota NPDES Permit for industrial sites went into effect on April 1, 2015, and the first quarter for monitoring begins in July. To help keep you up to date with the permit changes we have workshops open now. Some workshops focus on sampling, monitoring, and inspections on industrial sites, while another longer workshop will include information on stormwater pollution prevention plans for industrial sites as well. Registration is now available at [www.erosion.umn.edu](http://www.erosion.umn.edu)

## Maintenance Certification

The program is offering a new training for those doing maintenance on stormwater management control measures. This training offers an exam and certification so maintenance personnel can easily demonstrate their training credentials. Several programs within the University of Minnesota, as well as cities and watershed districts, have helped to create this pilot program. For more information on this workshop go to [www.erosion.umn.edu](http://www.erosion.umn.edu).

## A New Look for the Program Website

The Erosion and Stormwater Management Certification Program will have a new look to their website starting this summer. We hope to improve your website experience and still provide the information you need. The online registration process will be much the same, but with a new look to the schedule.

## Class Options

Some recertification classes have specialization options to provide a variety of information for individuals who have recertified several times. The specialization topics are now available in several recertification classes.

Look for additional letter codes in the class sections for indications of the specialization topic. More information is available at [www.erosion.umn.edu](http://www.erosion.umn.edu)

## Customized Classes!

In addition to standardized curriculum we offer training customized to meet your specific needs. Sometimes this may just be using your chosen location, or it may involve developing new curriculum for your specific interests. Whatever your needs may be we are always interested in hearing from you. Please contact us if you have questions or interests in customized classes.

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