

Tank Talk

What an amazing month! Read on to learn what's new with SepticSmart Week, U.S. Census American Community Survey proposal, and the Septic Finance Learning Module.

Highlights for this month:

- SepticSmart Week 2018 Activities
- Census proposal moving forward to testing phase
- Septic finance learning module posted online soon
- Training opportunity in Massachusetts
- Next Full-Partnership Call: November 14 1:00pm – 3:00pm

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Next Full Partner Call:

November 14, 2018, 1:00pm – 3:00pm
EST

Decentralized Workforce Listening Sessions

October 24, 2018

8:30AM and 10:30AM

Onsite Mega Conference in
Bloomington, MN

UPDATES

SepticSmart Week 2018 Actitives

SepticSmart Week was a huge success this year! The EPA SepticSmart page received about 13,000 unique page views. There were many new proclamations including organization proclamations and state proclamations from Alabama, Maryland, and North Carolina. Vermont created another great cartoon and a [TV episode](#) on septic systems. Michigan developed a [quick minute video](#) on septic systems and EPA Quick Tips.

PARTNER EVENTS

ASDWA [Annual Conference](#) October
22-25 Des Moines, IA

NOWRA NAWT SORA [Onsite
Wastewater Mega Conference](#)
October 21-24 Bloomington, MN

WEF Small Communities Committee Meeting

WEF hosted its Small Communities Committee meeting on October 1 at WEFTEC in New Orleans. The meeting was well attended with representatives from USDA, RCAP, NOWRA, and more.

Training Opportunity in MA

The Yankee Onsite Wastewater Association (YOWA) is hosting an all-day training event titled "Basics of Onsite Wastewater" on October 31 in Acton, MA. Contact YOWA at 781-939-5710 or yankeeonsite@gmail.com for more information.

GET PUMPED

Decentralized Listening Sessions

EPA and the MOU Partners are hosting two listening sessions on workforce and education needs in the decentralized wastewater sector. The listening sessions will be held on October 24 at the Onsite Mega Conference in Bloomington, MN.

Septic Finance Learning Module

WIRFC's Financing Septic Systems Learning Module will be posted shortly on epa.gov/wfc. Stay tuned for an email with the direct link. Also, thank you for your hard work in developing the septic system diagrams. These diagrams will be in the Septic Finance Learning Module and posted on epa.gov/septic.

STRAIGHT FROM THE TANK

Update on American Community Survey Proposal

We are pleased to announce that the EPA and USDA proposals to U.S. Census underwent legal, technical, and policy review and progressed forward to the next stage of testing. Email Gaida for questions.

Next Full-Partnership Call

Our next Full-Partnership Call will be held on November 14 1:00pm-3:00pm.

We have a lot to discuss including, outcomes of the decentralized listening session, American Community Survey proposal, and more!

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