

DNREC Sediment & Stormwater Listserve Update: June 2009

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1. September 9, 2009: Next Contractors Certification Course (Blue Card)

DNREC will be holding their next Contractor's Certification course (Blue Card) on September 9, 2009 at the Modern Maturity Center (registration required). The Contractor's Training course is a ½-day course that gives an overview of the Sediment and Stormwater Program, its regulations, and required erosion and sediment control measures in the State of Delaware. Please contact Joanne Gedney by e-mail at Joanne.Gedney@state.de.us or by phone at 302-739-9921 for registration information.

2. Regulatory Technical Advisory Committee Meeting Update

The Regulatory Technical Advisory Committee has set the following dates for meeting:

July 1, 2009
August 5, 2009
September 2, 2009
October 7, 2009

All meetings will be in the Smyrna-Clayton Room at the DelDOT Administration Building, 800 Bay Rd., Dover from 9 AM to 12 PM.

3. Storm Drain Marking in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed in Delaware

Four communities within Delaware's Chesapeake Bay Watershed are being marked with medallions stating, "No Dumping. Drains to Waterways." The towns of Greenwood and Bridgeville have already been completed, with Laurel and Seaford still to be marked.

On May 15th, families from the Peach Blossom 4-H Club, led by Elaine Webb, marked the storm drains in Greenwood. The evening started with an educational presentation about stormwater pollution, and ended with pizza in the new town park. This event was organized among the DNREC Watershed Assessment Section, DNREC Sediment and Stormwater Program, Town of Greenwood, and the Peach Blossom 4-H Club from Greenwood.

On Tuesday, June 2nd, about 10 Key Club and ROTC Woodbridge High School students marked the drains in Bridgeville as part of an afterschool program coordinated by math teacher, Kelli Duncan. The Town of Bridgeville was also instrumental in assisting with this effort as they will be marking the drains on busy streets and in Heritage Shores once development is complete.

The Town of Laurel's upcoming storm drain marking event is scheduled for June 13th (June 20th rain date), where volunteers from the town, Nanticoke Creekwatchers, Delaware Surf Riders, and George Miles and Buhr LLC will be assisting with this effort. Seaford's marking event is planned for this fall (date to be determined).

If you are interested in helping to mark storm drains in the communities of Laurel or Seaford, please call Jennifer Volk, DNREC Water Resources, at 739-9939. To see more about this program, please visit:

<http://www.swc.dnrec.delaware.gov/Drainage/Pages/StormDrainMarking.aspx>



4. Save the Date: Mid-Atlantic Chapter of the International Erosion Control Association

The MAC IECA will be hosting their annual conference on September 22-24, 2009 at the Crowne Plaza in Baltimore. Please see the attached flyer for more details.

5. Pre-Application Procedures and Schedule for Sussex Conservation District

The Sussex Conservation District has released a memorandum regarding requirements for Sussex County pre-application procedures, including their new Pre-Application Request Form. Please see the attached memo and form.

6. Link of the Month: nowCOAST

NOAA's nowCOAST Web portal compiles weather related data from its vast network of forecast and collection stations and makes it available for viewing as a geo-referenced map overlay in real time. The latest update to version 4.4 now includes the ability to view cumulative rainfall in various time increments up to 24 hours. For those with GIS capabilities, the user can connect to an ArcIMS Web server and have the data streamed to their desktop. (Click on the "Map Services" tab at the upper right of the Web page for more information on this capability.) The nowCOAST site can be accessed from the following link:
<http://nowcoast.noaa.gov/>